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## AUTOMOBILE REGISTRATION

New System Inaugurated By  
Secretary of State, John  
E. Bunker.

Secretary of State, John E. Bunker, has inaugurated a new system in dealing with the automobile registration problem which should be appreciated by all owners of motor vehicles within the State, and ought, as well, to reduce the volume of work in the Department of State connected with the registration of cars and licensing of operators during the year 1916.

In previous years application cards have been sent to dealers throughout the State, of whom there are only about three hundred, and a very small percentage of the owners of automobiles have known where cards could be procured. Consequently there has been much confusion and inconvenience in obtaining registrations and licenses. Many autoists, knowing that some fee should be paid for registration, have forwarded a check to the Department of State, unaccompanied by application cards, for the amount they thought was required. The amount has often been incorrect, and they have either had to be requested to forward the balance, or be refunded the amount overpaid, which has made the bookkeeping of the Department complicated. When the check has been unaccompanied by application cards, filled out in due form, the registration or license could not be granted until corrections were made, and much correspondence and not a few delays have resulted, to the inconvenience of both the Department and the person wishing to operate a car. Others have claimed that they did not know the law in regard to registration and licenses, and some have undoubtedly presented this as an excuse for violation of the laws. This may have resulted in more lenient treatment toward offenders and less revenue to the State, as well as much criticism from those who had made it a point to inform themselves of the law and had complied therewith.

So many have been the difficulties arising from this lack of knowledge regarding the automobile laws, the proper procedure for registration of cars, and licensing of operators, that Secretary Bunker has taken up the problem of eliminating all apparent difficulties. He has accomplished this to such an extent that it will be impossible for any present automobile owner to offer an excuse of ignorance of the law relating to registration, or lack of application cards, while all will be given the benefit of the new system, which will be found much more convenient, and without a doubt will be greatly appreciated.

The system, as explained by Secretary Bunker, is as follows: On December 15th there will be sent to every automobilist in the State who has registered a motor vehicle during the past year, an application card for registration, an application card for operator's license, and a copy of the Automobile Laws. A careful examination of the laws will show the amount required for registration of the motor vehicle. All the owner has to do is to fill out the application card, enclose them with the amount called for in the law, and send them to the Department of State. Upon receipt of same, registration plates and certificates will go forward at once. A fee of two dollars should also be enclosed with an application for an operator's license.

Application cards are being sent out by middle of this month in order to give every person owning an automobile the privilege, if he so desires, to receive his registration plates on January first for the coming year. There will be no excuse for any person who operates a car on the highways without the 1916 plates attached after the beginning of the new year. Plates and licenses will be forwarded from the State Department on the 20th and 30th of December to all persons sending in their applications, accompanied by the required fees, previous to that time.

For the benefit of the prospective purchasers of new cars during the coming year, Secretary Bunker is sending to all dealers, for distribution, application cards and copies of the laws. Persons purchasing cars should request such cards and laws. With the inauguration of this new system the public will receive the most efficient service in the history of the registration of automobiles in this State.

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## NEW YORK LETTER

Some Things of Interest by  
Our Special Correspondent

New York City, December 17.

Snow has hit us at last. And it hit us very hard, too. All day Monday it snowed heavy, clinging flakes, that piled up seven inches deep in the heart of the city, and nearly ten inches at the northern edge. For a while in the morning it rained, and that with the rather warm ground, we had our fill of slush before the day was over. The city authorities were caught badly, and could not cope with the situation at all. They seemed unable to get men enough, although the situations and want advertisements in the papers indicated that there were many unemployed now as any year. It is only in the last day or so that the snow is being at all adequately dealt with, and traffic is resuming any sort of speed. You can realize the difficulties to be met when the climate of this region is considered. We cannot simply pack the snow down and use it to travel on, on runners, for it is liable to vanish in slush any time the wind from the Gulf Stream hits us. And yet we have about as much snow, on the whole as Portland. The thing that is to be done here, and that Mr. Fotherston, our Street Cleaning Commissioner, has not succeeded in doing in three winters, is to have an organization adequate to remove the snow as fast as it falls. It can be done. Colonel Waring did it here fifteen years ago.

The one sensible piece of snow-handling that I have seen is that along the routes of the Fifth Avenue and other stage lines that I described in another letter. They hitched a big snowplow to a stage, and kept the roadway open for their service—and also for other traffic—at all times.

Local news seems scarce this week. The papers are full of the Ancona note matter, of course, and of the opening of Congress. Some little attention has been given to the resolution of the new congressman from one of the districts of this city, Mr. London, asking that this country intervene to secure peace. Mr. London, it may be said, is the long Socialist member of Congress, and is pretty well known locally for the magnificent work he did in aiding the cloakmakers in their great strike some years ago. He has been called the greatest labor union lawyer in the country.

The successors to the late and perhaps lamented Anthony Comstock, self-chosen guardian of public morals, have started another series of raids on stores selling pictures supposed to be improper. Like Mr. Comstock, they have let the big offenders go, and taken little struggling fellows, who may be ruined by a lawsuit. Your correspondent saw in several big department stores pictures that were decidedly more salacious than those brought into court by the guardians of virtue. The raiding habit has taken hold of the police also, for in yesterday's paper there was a long yarn about their raid on "60 Washington Square," a restaurant supposed to be very ultra-bohemian, and where it was supposed one could see literary and artistic lights feeding. The raid was a fiasco; all they found was a cupboard with four hundred bottles, and a license to sell the contents.

New York University has opened up a rather novel sort of extension branch of its school of commerce, right in the heart of the financial district. Courses in banking, accounting, commercial law, Spanish, and a lot of similar things are being given at 14 Wall street, and thus the University reaches a large element that wants this training, but has not had time or opportunity to go uptown for it. The courses are arranged so that they fit into the hours of clerks. The work has been under way some months, and has met with a warm reception.

We have for quite a time had a novelty going up and down Broadway, in the form of a double-decked street car. It is one of these new low-hung steel cars, with the floor only a foot from the ground, and the wheel-trucks at each end, under a special compartment for the motorman. The entrance is at the middle, and consists of a pair of doors, electrically operated. When the car is moving, it is impossible to get on, as there is no step to the door. The upper floor has two seats, back to back, running lengthwise, and is reached by stairs at each end of the car. The whole vehicle is hardly two feet higher to the roof than the average big trolley car.

ANAX JUNICE.

## CHRISTMAS AT BETHEL CHURCHES

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

The Christmas sale at Garland Chapel, Dec. 14, despite the stormy weather and other obstacles, was a financial success.

Next Friday evening the annual picnic supper for the Congregational Sunday School will be served at 6.15 in the dining room. The supper will be followed by a brief entertainment and the distribution of gifts from the Christmas trees. All Sunday School children and all members of the parish are cordially invited to be present and partake of the good things and enjoy the Christmas cheer.

Last Sunday was observed as Christmas Sunday at the Congregational Church with an appropriate sermon by the pastor at the morning service and special music by the choir. The concert in the evening opened with exercises of recitation and song by the younger children of the Sabbath School, followed by "The Traveller," a Christmas song story. The Scripture story of the birth of Jesus was recited by the older children of the Sabbath School, assisted by the chorus choir. Prof. E. E. Hanson read the Christmas story of the "Traveller" and the chorus responded with the appropriate songs. Miss Sawford's solos and Prof. Hanson's reading added much to the impressiveness of the exercises and the work of the organist, Miss Blanche Herick, and those who so cheerfully assisted in the chorus was most heartily appreciated. Those in charge of the exercises well deserve the words of appreciation expressed by those who were privileged to listen to one of the most impressive Christmas stories ever told.

## METHODIST CHURCH.

Last Sunday the theme for the morning service at the Methodist Church was the Christmas story, both the sermon and the anthem drawing their lesson from the apparition to the shepherds and their journey to Bethlehem. A beautifully rendered solo by Mr. Tyler contributed greatly to the pleasure of the service.

In the evening the choir, under the direction of Mr. Anderson, ably assisted by Miss Davis as accompanist, gave the sacred cantata, "The Prince of Peace."

Both chorus and solo parts gave evidence of faithful work, and careful rehearsing with results that were very much to the credit of the choir and certainly delighted and inspired the audience.

The program follows:  
Organ Voluntary, Miss Miss Davis  
Prayer, The Pastor  
Chorus, "Hark the Glad Sound."  
Tenor Solo, "To Us a Child of Hope is Born."  
Duet, "Once in David's Royal City,"  
Misses Emma Rabideau, Hazel Arno  
Chorus, "And There Were Shepherds,"  
Solo, "How Bright Appears the Morning Star,"  
John G. Anderson  
Chorus, "Behold There Came Wise Men."  
Contralto Solo, "As With Gladness,"  
Miss Jessie Brown  
Chorus, "Joy to the World,"  
(Sung by Messrs. Anderson and Tyler)  
Benediction.

Next Friday evening at the Methodist Church there will be the usual Christmas eve supper for the children of the Sunday School and their friends at 6.15 in the dining room of the church. This is a picnic supper according to the usual custom, the ladies of the church furnishing baked beans, brown bread and coffee, and adults in attendance bringing white bread, cake, and pastry needed.

After the supper, or about 7.30 the Christmas concert by the boys and girls of the Sunday School will be given in the auditorium, closing with the Christmas tree. Gifts for the tree will be received by the committee in charge any time in the afternoon. The young people are very much interested in this program and a good time is expected.

The following is the program for Christmas eve, Friday, 7.30:  
Junior League Song.  
Recitation, "A Great Big Boy,"  
Scott Pike  
Exercise, "The Shepherd's Story,"  
Three Boys  
Marion Dean  
Duet, Eunice Smith, Mildred Keddy  
Recitation, Josephine Springer  
Recitation, Ruth Gilman

## GRANGE NEWS

PARIS GRANGE.

Paris Grange was called to order by Worthy Master Ryerson at 11.30 A. M., Dec. 18th, 1915. Officers present at roll call: Master, Overseer, Steward, Assistant Steward, Chaplain, Secretary, Gate Keeper and Ceres. One application was received and the first and second degrees were conferred on one candidate. After a recess for dinner the grange was called to order in open session. It being Past Masters day the following program was carried out: Music by grange choir. Past Master Elias P. Maxin, the oldest man in the town of Paris, gave a very interesting talk on the past history of the town and of Paris Grange. Dr. G. M. Twitchell gave a very instructive lecture on the "Cost of an Apple," which won a hearty applause. Sisters Hammond and Kennedy sang a duet and responded with an encore. Past Masters present: H. D. Hammond, John B. Brown, Geo. S. Boutelle, A. N. Cairns, E. H. Gates, Howard Swan, O. K. Clifford, James Millett, L. A. Brooks and Chas. Edwards responded to the call of the lecturer. Next meeting will be held Jan. 1 at 10.30. Degree work in the morning followed by a basket dinner with installation of the officers in the afternoon.

## I. O. O. F. RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT ON THE DEATH OF BRO. W. W. LINNELL.

Whereas, Bro. W. W. Linnell, a member of our Order has been called to the Great Beyond, to remind us again of the frailty of life; and although we believe the "All Seeing Eye of God," is ever watching over us, and that he doeth all things well, nevertheless, we sorrow in our earthly way for our Brother.

Therefore, be it resolved, that in the death of Bro. Linnell the Lodge loses a faithful member, and that we send a copy of these resolutions to his family, extending our sympathy; that these resolutions be spread upon our records, and printed in the Oxford County Citizen, and that our charter be draped for thirty days in memory of our departed Brother.

J. S. HUTCHINS,  
W. F. CLARK,  
F. E. FURRINGTON,  
Committee on Resolutions.

At. Abram Lodge, I. O. O. F.,  
Bethel, Me., Dec. 10, 1915.

## SWAN—FIELD.

A quiet wedding occurred at West Paris at the home of Mrs. Emily D. Field, Wednesday evening, Dec. 15, at 8.30 P. M., when her eldest daughter, Ora E., was united in marriage to Albert L. Swan of Bethel. Rev. D. A. Ball performed the ceremony, this single service being used. Only the immediate relatives were present. The bride's sister, Miss Doris Field, played the wedding march and little Miss Margaret Tuell, who makes her home with Mrs. Field, was ring bearer. Mr. and Mrs. Swan left on the evening train for Bethel, where they will make their home for the present.

Exercise, "The Children and the Stars."  
Recitation, "Spread the Christmas Sunshine,"  
Ethel Stearns  
Recitation, Dorothy and Ronald Keddy  
Recitation, Doris Somerville  
Exercise, "Blessed Be,"  
Five Children  
Recitation, "Poor Santa Claus,"  
Freda Wheeler  
Recitation, "The Shepherd's Son,"  
Eliot Somerville, Raymond Chapman  
Recitation, "Christmas Cheer,"  
Evans Wilson  
Recitation, "Baby's Favorite,"  
Mildred Keddy  
Recitation, "A Christmas Carol,"  
Myrtle Wilson  
Christmas Sketch, "Playing, Santa Claus,"  
Song.

## UNIVERSALIST CHURCH.

There will be a Christmas sermon and special music at the Universalist Church, Sunday morning, and a concert in the evening at 7.30.

Friday at the Universalist Church there will be the usual Christmas supper for the Sunday School, Parish and all church attendants, after which gifts will be distributed from the trees. Everyone cordially please, and enjoy a Merry Christmas.

Howe has a nice line of Educator Crackers in 10c, 20c and 30c line. Adv.

## GOULD'S ACADEMY

School closed Dec. 17 for a holiday vacation of two weeks.

Frank Robertson of Portland was a dinner guest at Holden Hall, Friday.

Holden Hall will be kept open during the vacation with Mrs. Sloan in charge.

Mrs. Pierce and daughter, Emma, are spending the Christmas holidays with relatives in Freeport, Maine.

The teachers will spend the vacation as follows: Prin. Hanson in Bethel; Miss Pratt in Reading, Mass.; Miss Whitman at South Paris; Miss Whitmore in Warren; Mr. Rand at White Rock.

Rumford High defeated Gould's last Friday night by a score of 33 to 14. Rumford showed her superiority all through the game. J. Young was the star of the game, his shooting netting 10 points. Dyer also played a fine game in the defensive position. H. Young starred for Gould's. The summary:

	Floor	Foul	Goals	Goals	Points
RUMFORD					
Bouffard, Jr.,	1	0	2		
J. Young, Jr.,	7	2	16		
Marx, Jr.,	2	3	7		
Lovely, Jr.,	2	0	4		
Moehan, Jr.,	0	0	0		
Dyer, Jr.,	2	0	4		
Totals,	14	5	33		

	Floor	Foul	Goals	Goals	Points
GOULD'S					
H. Young, Jr.,	3	2	8		
Chapman, Jr.,	1	0	2		
Mundt, Jr.,	0	0	0		
Ray Cummings, Jr.,	1	0	2		
Ray Cummings, Jr.,	1	0	2		
Totals,	6	2	14		

Referee, Fabian. Timer, Russ. Time of periods, 20 minutes.

## SUNDAY RIVER SCHOOL ENTERTAINMENT.

The annual entertainment, followed by the Christmas tree, will be given at the Sunday River schoolhouse, Friday afternoon, Dec. 24, at 1.30 o'clock. The following program has been prepared by the children and they extend a most cordial invitation to everyone.

Selection, "The Children of the Year."  
Tableau, "Little Jack Horner,"  
Roger Foster  
Tableau, "Little Miss Muffet,"  
Louisa Lowe  
Dialogue, "A Christmas Stocking,"  
Ruth and Charlotte Kendall  
Recitation, "Milk Time,"  
Allice Eames  
Recitation, "Compassions of Christ,"  
Agnes Foster  
Selection, "A Precious Pledge,"  
Cast of Characters.  
Miss Pease, Agnes Foster  
Mrs. Gabbie, the wash-woman, Allice Eames  
Peter Snow, city child, Enoch Foster  
Jennie Frost, city child, Louisa Lowe  
Sussy Gabbie, Roger Foster  
Juno, Miss Pease's colored help, Ruth Kendall

## NOTICE.

Whereas Leo Yall and I have been lumbering in partnership for several winters this is to notify all concerned that the partnership has this day been dissolved and that I shall not be liable for any bills contracted after this date, December 21, 1915.

HOWARD L. COBURN,  
Bethel, Maine,  
12-23-15.

## DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between P. J. Latchford and Harry G. Bryant, under the firm name of Latchford & Bryant, has this day been dissolved. All bills due said partnership must be paid within thirty days to said Latchford, and all bills outstanding against said partnership should be presented at once for payment to said Latchford, at the office of H. H. Hastings, Bethel, Maine.

P. J. LATCHFORD,  
HARRY G. BRYANT,  
December 1, 1915. 12-10-31.

## CHRISTMAS DINNER.

That there may be more time for the homemakers on Christmas Day the management of Bethel Inn will serve a Christmas dinner from 1.00 to 2.30 P. M., at the special price of \$1.00 to residents of Bethel and their friends. Table reservations may be made in advance.

## WANT COLUMN.

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J. U. FURINGTON,  
11-26-15. Bethel, Maine.

**WANTED.**—Hay and straw for the Massachusetts trade, write me particulars. Best of references.  
CHAS. T. FOSTER,  
12-23-15. Leominster, Mass.

## FOR SALE.

One new covered sleigh. Inquire of  
MRS. LAURA ELLIOTT,  
12-23-15. Rumford Point, Me.

## NOTICE.

I wish to announce to the people of Bethel and vicinity that I am prepared to do all kinds of plumbing and repair work at a reasonable price. All work carefully and promptly attended to.  
ALBERT BURKE,  
Tel.—29-7. Bethel, Maine.

## NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Bethel National Bank will be held in the banking rooms of said Bank, in Bethel, Maine, on Tuesday the eleventh day of January, 1916 at two o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year and the transaction of any other business that may legally come before said meeting.  
ELLERY C. PARK, Cashier.  
December 1st, 1915.

## Merry Christmas

If you can't seem to settle on a present for her or him go into Young's Shoe Store and buy a pair of bedroom or house shoes or slippers, always acceptable. You can't please your little child any more than to buy them a pair of those fleece lined red top rubber boots and they may be the saving of their life.

I wish to thank the public for the large amount of work they have brought to me in my shoe repair department and can assure them that we can fix their rubbers in the same first class manner as we have their shoes. We also put old tops on new rubbers or do any other kind of work required on them. I solicit your patronage.  
ELMER H. YOUNG.

## NOTICE.

I wish to announce to the people of Bethel and vicinity that I tested the hay scales and other scales of Ira C. Jordan of Bethel on December 10th and found them correct with my standards.

A. VAN DEN KERCKHOVEN,  
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**BETHEL AND VICINITY.**

Mr. and Mrs. Levi Bartlett were in Lewiston, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hastings were in Berlin, Monday.

Harry Hastings and Claude Goddard were in Berlin, Thursday.

Gordon Allen spent the week end with relatives in South Paris.

There will be no meeting of the W. C. T. U. until after Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Pearl Parker from Sunday River were in town, Thursday.

Mrs. Wm. Lowe visited her sister, Mrs. Hiram Wiles, in Norway, Saturday.

Nellie Blake from Milan, N. H., was a guest of Hazel Douglass the first of the week.

Miss Helen Spencer of West Enfield, Me., is visiting her mother, Mrs. Spencer.

Mrs. S. I. French was called to Mechanic Falls last week by the illness of her grandson.

Mr. Chas. Hamlin of Milan, N. H., was a guest of Mrs. Sidney Howe and family last week.

Rev. W. H. Clark of Auburn was in Bethel, Friday, in the interest of the Youth's Companion.

Mrs. Gotthard Carlson of Dorchester, Mass., is visiting her parents, Dr. and Mrs. P. B. Tuell.

The Ladies' Club will meet with Mrs. Frank Chandler, Thursday afternoon at three o'clock.

Mr. Winfield Howe had the misfortune to hurt his arm quite badly last week while handling a trunk at the station.

Mrs. Chas. Davis, who has been spending a few weeks with her daughter, Mrs. Robert Wormell, at Portland, has returned home.

Trimmed Hats marked down at L. M. STEARNS'.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ira Jordan were in Waterville, Sunday.

Mr. E. W. Sanborn of Norway was a business visitor in town, Monday.

A representative of the Lewiston Journal was in Bethel last week.

Mr. B. W. Kimball spent the week end with friends in Berlin, N. H.

Mrs. I. H. Wight and Mrs. Frank Purington were in Berlin, Friday.

Miss L. M. Stearns has returned from Portland, where she spent several days.

Miss Ada Bean visited at the home of Mrs. Hiram Bean a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Pearl Flint and Mrs. Alice Eames from Newry were in town, Monday.

Mr. Robert Snodgrass of Berlin, N. H., was a Sunday guest of Mr. and C. W. Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wheeler went to Norway, Friday, to attend "The Birth of a Nation."

Miss Mac Cross and Miss Dick Hastings have returned to Dorchester, Mass., to spend the winter.

Mr. Herman Mason attended the Live Stock Breeders' Association in Lewiston last week.

The degree team of the Rebekahs will meet at the hall, Thursday evening, Dec. 16, at 8 P. M., for drill.

Mrs. Howard Thurston, Mrs. Ralph Young and Mrs. Wade Thurston were in Lewiston, shopping, Saturday.

Mr. C. G. Kimball left for Berlin, N. H., Monday, and later to go into the woods as scaler for Berlin Mills Co.

Adelmar Stearns, who was operated upon at the C. M. G. Hospital, Lewiston, for adenoids, has returned and making a good recovery.

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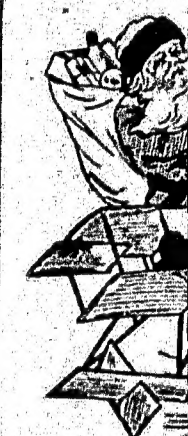
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**EDWARD P. LYON, - Bethel, Maine**

Mr. and Mrs. visiting a few days and Mrs. Wm. B. Mrs. Nellie M. been a guest of Mrs. Winnifred Carl, are visiting a week. Mrs. Cora Full day, to visit her relatives. Virgil Fletcher have returned from each with a nice Mr. and Mrs. M. to New Vineyard death of Mr. Luc turned home, Saturday. Mrs. Edwin E. been a guest of home in Canton. Miss Florence calling lecture on "optical views at Hartford, Thursday. Leroy A. Berry ing trip with a 13 points. Lyman and H. Lewiston, Saturday. Daniel F. Foster Hartford town age of 74 years. ford, a son of David Higgins Foster, citizen of that to by one nephew, Ford, and a cousin, Sumner. The funeral at ten o'clock, Rev. Sumner officiating. Mrs. M. J. Ho from her recent illness. Mrs. Henrietta G. Wednesday, from has been with her



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## CANTON

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. York have been visiting a few days this week with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. B. Russell of So. Paris. Mrs. Nellie Morse of Rumford has been a guest of Miss Clara Barrows. Mrs. Winnifred F. Roberts and son, Carl, are visiting friends in Auburn for a week.

Mrs. Cora Fuller left for Boston, Friday, to visit her son, Ralph, and other relatives.

Virgil Fletcher and Horman Tirrell have returned from their hunting trip, each with a nice deer.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Luce were called to New Vineyard last week by the death of Mr. Luce's father. They returned home, Saturday.

Mrs. Edwin E. Caldwell of Leeds has been a guest of friends at her former home in Canton.

Miss Florence Nelson gave an interesting lecture on "Greece," with stereopticon views at the church at East Hartford, Thursday evening.

Leroy A. Berry returned from a hunting trip with a nice buck, which had 13 points.

Lyman and Herschel Ellis were at Lewiston, Saturday.

Daniel F. Foster passed away at the Hartford town farm, Thursday, at the age of 74 years. He was born in Hartford, a son of David Foster and Eunice Higgins Foster, and was a life-long citizen of that town. He is survived by one nephew, Frank Foster, of Hartford, and a cousin, Geo. Foster, of East Sumner. The funeral was held Friday at ten o'clock, Rev. J. N. Atwood of East Sumner officiating.

Mrs. M. J. Howes is convalescing from her recent illness.

Mrs. Henrietta Glover returned home, Wednesday, from Lewiston, where she has been with her sister-in-law, Mrs. C.

## PERUNA

A STANDARD FAMILY REMEDY  
For over forty years it has been used as A TONIC AND STOMACH REMEDY. Peruna aids the appetite and gives new life to digestion.

O. Holt, for the past two months. Miss Montese York has been visiting with her sister, Mrs. James G. Davis, of Rumford.

Charles A. Sweet and family are guests of relatives in Somersworth, N. H.

Mary L. Richardson, who closed a successful term of school at Peru, is spending her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Richardson.

Mrs. E. T. Holland of Monmouth has been a guest of friends in Canton, where she was a former resident.

Barbara, the little child of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Boothby has been quite ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Glines of Monmouth have been guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Glines.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fogg of North Rumford have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Carson.

Herbert M. Tucker attended the meeting of the Maine Dairymen's Association at Lewiston last week. Mr. Tucker, who has been vice-president of the Association for the past few years, was elected president at this meeting.

Mrs. Angolia Thompson was called to East Dixfield, Saturday by the illness of her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Carroll Thompson.

Mrs. Verna Smith of Lewiston has been a guest of Mrs. A. S. Bicknell and other friends in town, where she was a former resident. Saturday she went to Rumford to visit her sister, her being present.

Mrs. Ernest Freeman, Leola Berry, Clarence S. Alley and Lewis Hayford are at Redding on a hunting trip.

At the annual meeting of John A. Hodge Relief Corps the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Eyio B. York; Vice-President, Mrs. Ada Chamberlain; Chaplain, Mrs. Eunice S. Oldham; Secretary, Mrs. Martha J. Childs; Treasurer, Mrs. Estelle C. Briggs; Guard, Mrs. Alma Towler; Conductor, Mrs. Maud Richardson; Past President, Mrs. Eliza Hodge.

Harold Ellingwood has been ill with a throat trouble at the home of his uncle, Geo. W. Brown.

A. F. Hayford and Arthur Tirrell are up country on a hunting expedition.

O. T. Bonney lost one of his work horses last week.

Miss Clara M. Barrows has gone to Rumford where she will be employed for a few weeks.

Mrs. E. B. Woodward is spending a few days in Portland.

H. Frank Richardson was at home from Bliss Business College, Saturday and Sunday.

At the annual meeting of the Androscoggin Valley Agricultural Society, J. M. Johnson was elected president; Stanley Bisbee, vice-president; O. M. Richardson, secretary, and G. L. Wadlin, treasurer.

Harris Jones and Albert Dodge have returned from their hunting trip to Upton, the latter bringing home a deer.

Very successful was the sale of aprons, bags, handkerchiefs and home made candy held by Posenah Robekah Lodge, Thursday evening, and the delicious supper was given a liberal patronage. A good sum was realized from the affair.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Gammon are guests of her people at Abbott's Mills.

Mrs. Leora M. Berry entertained the Ladies' Aid, Thursday, a large number being present.

## NEW YORK LETTER.

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or up town. Another line goes far up Fifth Avenue, and then cuts through the heart of Harlem, famous for its flats with small rooms. A third line goes to the Polo Grounds, and does a big business in summer with the baseball fans. In the morning, when the weather is nice, stage after stage goes past, full on top—for it is the most comfortable way to get down town. Fifth Avenue, below the plutocratic residences, is the center, first of the big department stores, and further down town of the cloak and suit trade. So it is quite handy for a lot of men to use the stages. They charge a ten cent fare, but that does not prevent crowding at some times. When you are in the city, and want to see something fine, take the stage twice; once near noon, and again after dark. At night Fifth Avenue is really at its best.

ANAX JUNIUS.

## FOR RHEUMATISM

As soon as an attack of Rheumatism begins apply Sloan's Liniment. Don't waste time and suffer unnecessary agony. A few drops of Sloan's Liniment on the affected parts is all you need. The pain goes at once.

A grateful sufferer writes:—"I was suffering for three weeks with Chronic Rheumatism and Stiff Neck, although I tried many medicines, they failed. Fortunately I heard of Sloan's Liniment and after using it three or four days am up and well. I am employed at the biggest department store in S. F. where they employ from six to eight hundred hands, and they surely will hear all about Sloan's Liniment.—H. B. Smith, San Francisco, Cal.—Jan. 1915. 25c. at all Druggists. Adv.

SUBSCRIBE NOW FOR THE OXFORD COUNTY CITIZEN.

## BLUE STORES

To the man who is particular in dress, but limited in purse, this store holds out most unusual opportunities.

We give real values without the heavy tax of charging all that those values will stand.

There is a great shortage of desirable merchandise, with prices steadily advancing, but but you may find at our stores everything that's good in SUITS, OVERCOATS, MACKINAWs, SWEATERS, UNDERWEAR, etc. at the same old prices.

We can show more articles a man would appreciate for Christmas than any other store in town.

F. H. NOYES CO.

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SOUTH PARIS

IRA C. JORDAN

DEALER IN

General Merchandise

and Grain

BETHEL,

MAINE



## YULE-TIDE GREETINGS

We Wish Our Customers and Friends a Merry Christmas and a Full Share of Happiness.

The greatest gift in all the world is happiness. May this Christmas Day, the birthday of the world, witness Peace and Happiness among all nations.



## LET US HELP YOU SOLVE YOUR HOLIDAY PROBLEMS

How to strike a satisfactory average between our desire to give and our ability to pay is a problem which worries nearly every one at Christmas time. Our stock offers an easy solution of the problem. In other words, it contains the kind of gifts you want to give at the price you want to pay. Our stock is extensive and contains something suitable for every member of the family. The list below will give you an idea of the lines we carry. "SHOP EARLY."

## HOLIDAY STATIONERY

The famous "Eaton, Crane and Pike" make in special Christmas boxes. There is a great assortment of the newest tints and white papers in novel shapes which have made this paper celebrated.

Stationery and Correspondence Cards as low as 25c per box, and from that up to \$2.00.

## SPECIAL "Embassy Lawn"

48 sheets lawn finish paper, 48 envelopes (2 shapes). Box covered with onyx paper, name embossed in gold and colors. Maximum in value, 25c a box.

## FOUNTAIN PENS

An ever welcome and appreciated gift. We especially feature the "Conklin Self Filler" Non-Leakable. Nothing to get out of order. Fills and cleans itself in 4 seconds. Writes at the first stroke. No better pen made. Fully guaranteed at \$2.50 and up.

## TOILET GOODS

Toilet goods make practical, useful gifts. You can buy Brushes, Toilet Sets, Manicure Sets, Traveling Cases and all other staple goods of this nature at our regular, every day prices. The selection of such goods betokens good judgment, for they are beautiful, durable and useful.

## LEATHER GOODS

Leather Hand Bags in all the new shapes and leathers, finely lined and in a variety of popular fittings. Prices from 50c to \$3.50.

Pocket Books in the new square and oblong shapes. From 25c to \$2.50.

## SMOKER'S GOODS

If you can't reform him, you can at least see that he smokes good cigars. We have extra fine cigars in special boxes of 12, 25, 50, 100 for the holidays. These are brands which the most critical smokers in this community have passed judgment on. Price from 50c up.



## JAM KIDDO

Made in U. S. A. The pioneer Sleepy-eye Doll of America. Indisputably the most practical Character Doll on the market. Look at the Happy Family in our window. Price \$1.00.

We also have a great many of the Imported Dolls from 10c up.

## TOYS AND GAMES

We also have a nice line of Toys and Games for the children. Prices reasonable.

## HOLIDAY PERFUMES AND SACHET POWDERS

A fine assortment of all the leading makes in attractive holiday packages. We have just added the Palmer line. There is none better. Their Rose Leaves and Wistaria are the two largest selling odors in the U. S. 50c an ounce.

## BOOKS

Newest Fiction at 50c. Boy's and Girl's 25c Series.

## FOR THE GIRLS

The Camp Fire Girls, Miss Pat, Grace Harlow's and the Little Prudy Books.

## FOR THE BOYS

The Boy Allies, The High School Boys, Comrades and The Boy Scouts.

A big assortment of books to delight the hearts of the little tots. From 5c up to 50c.

## CANDIES

Our Candy Department is simply overflowing with good things from 20c to 50c a pound.

Our line of Huyler's and Foss Quality and Premier Chocolates and Bon Bons in Christmas boxes is unusually inviting. Prices all the way from 25c to \$2.00 a box.

## BARREL CANDY

As usual a barrel of that nice Ribbon Candy, 15c a lb, 2 for 25c.

## A PRACTICAL GIFT FOR THE HUSBAND

A box of Nyals Shaving Powder or Shaving Cream, a bottle of Nyals Liliac Lotion, a box of Nyals Face Cream and a box of Nyals Mayflower Toilet Powder, and a Styptic Pencil all for \$1.50.

## TOILET SOAPS

All the leading makes. We feature Nyals Toilet Soap, 10c a cake, 3 for 25c.

The items listed in this ad should afford some valuable gift suggestions. and bring it with you when you visit our store.

Make a list of things you are mostly interested in

H. S. PUSHARD,

REGISTERED DRUGGIST,

BETHEL,

MAINE.



# PRACTICAL, USEFUL GIFTS HERE

More and more do useful, practical holiday remembrances gain in favor with the one who receives and the one who gives, and so, for this year's giving we have collected great holiday stocks whose most prominent feature can be expressed in a word—usefulness. Useful gifts above all others should be of good quality, stylish, up-to-date and desirable in every way to serve their purpose properly. Our goods are of such character as to faithfully perform this mission.

## LINENS, VERY ACCEPTABLE.

Year after year more linens are bought for Christmas gifts, as year after year grows the custom of sensible gift giving. And it would be hard to find anywhere a more complete or more beautiful stock than what is here.

**LUNCHEON SETS**—Consists of a 36 inch lunch cloth, hemstitched and one-half dozen of hemstitched napkins. Splendid quality of linen. \$3.50, \$3.98, \$4.50 Set

**LUNCHEON CLOTHS**—\$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.98, \$2.50, \$2.98—Beautiful design in floral, fancy scroll and satin stripes in several sizes.

**DOILES IN SETS**—98c, \$1.98, \$2.98, \$3.98—Many new designs, lace trimming, scalloped and embroidered, several sizes in each.

**TRAY CLOTHS**—25c, 37 1-2c, 50c, 75c, 98c—In a splendid variety of patterns neatly hemstitched.

**TOWELS**—Whatever your desire is in the line of towels, you will find them here. Linen huckles in large and small sizes, plain and fancy.

**FANCY DAMASK TOWELS** in a choice assortment of beautiful designs, 12 1-2c, 15c, 25c, 37 1-2c, 50c, 75c, 87c, \$1.00 each

**SHAMS AND SCARFS**—in many new designs, embroidered, lace trimmed, scalloped and hemstitched. 25c, 33c, 42c, 50c, 59c, 75c, 98c, \$1.25 each

## BEAUTIFUL FUR MUFFS

Why not give her a muff for a Christmas present. There is nothing you can give that would be more acceptable, serviceable and at the same time, lasting reminder of the giver.

Muffs for \$4.98, \$5.98, \$6.50, \$9.00, \$12.50, \$15.00, \$17.50, \$18.00, \$20.00.

## LADIES' GLOVES

Made of the best quality of kid. A pair of our gloves put up in one of our neat Christmas boxes makes a present most acceptable to any lady. If you don't happen to get the right size, it can be exchanged after Christmas. Gloves in white, tan and black. Many have embroidered back.

\$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50

## BATH ROBES AS GIFTS

We have them for ladies and children. No better gift can be made, than one of these. A gift like this is lasting. Ladies bath robes made of excellent quality in a choice assortment of patterns.

Ladies bath robes, \$2.50, \$2.98, \$3.25, \$3.98.

Children's bath robes, 98c, \$1.75.

Ladies long kimono, many styles, choice patterns cut long and full, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.98.

## DRESS GOODS

You couldn't think up a finer Christmas gift than a dress or waist pattern of some stylish and serviceable fabric. Our stock is now in its completeness and presents a broad field for selection. You can have any pattern you choose put into a holly box.

Fine dress goods, 25c to \$1.25 1-2c yard.

Fine silks, 50c to \$2.00 yard.

Fine waistings, 25c to \$2.00 yd.

## LEATHER GOODS

Right here you will find an unsurpassed line of handsome leather goods for Christmas gifts. After all, there are a few things more desirable for gifts. Every place we show is new and fresh. A wonderful line of Bags, Purse and Bill Books.

Bags in all the new shapes, beautifully lined, many are fitted out with useful articles, 50c, 75c, 98c, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.98, \$2.50, \$2.98, \$3.50, \$3.98.

Purses in new shapes, 50c, 98c, \$1.50.

## CHARMING NECKWEAR

So many new neckwear novelties are being introduced, it keeps us continually on the alert to "set the pace" for the demands of our trade, and we try to keep the newest ideas coming in all the time, to attempt a description of any particular style and do justice to all would require volumes of reading. We can say that we have all that is new and desirable. The new Galt collar, new fur trimmed, new Dutch and fancy bows, neatly packed in gift boxes for 25c and 50c

## Ladies' Suits and Coats Marked Down

### NOTICE SPECIAL PRICES ON SUITS

ONE LOT \$15.00, \$16.50 SUITS, NOW \$9.98

ONE LOT \$18.00 AND \$20.00 SUITS, NOW \$12.98

THE PRICES ON COATS HAVE BEEN CUT DEEP. WARM COATS IN MANY STYLES AND NEARLY ALL COLORS.

COATS for \$3.98, \$4.50, \$5.00, \$5.98, \$7.50, \$9.00, \$10.00, \$11.50, \$15.

## A List of Useful Gifts

**SILK HOSE**—The present craze among women. All women like them. A splendid gift, in nearly all colors, 25c, 50c, \$1.00 pair

**BOUDOIR CAPS**—She will certainly appreciate one of these. We are showing styles and styles of them, beautifully trimmed with laces and ribbon, 25c and 50c

**SWEET GRASS BASKETS**—Many women have expressed their desire for one. Why not get her one for a Christmas present. All sizes here, 25c, 50c, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50

**SKATING CAPS AND SCARFS**—Very popular this season, in a large assortment in sets or separate piece. 50c to 98c

**Corsets**, \$1.00 to \$1.50

**CORSETS AS GIFTS**—Where is the woman who wouldn't like a pair of corsets? A practical, useful gift. You will certainly please her with one of these—Thomson, Royal Worcester, R. & G., and Nemo.

**HOUSE DRESSES**—There is nothing more useful and there isn't a woman, but what would appreciate one. Why not give her one or more. They are only \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.98

**JAPANESE VESTS**—A good gift to be sure, nice and warm to be worn under your coats. Very neat, made of silk by the Japanese. An excellent value, only 98c

**SHAWLS AND HEAD TROWS**—In a great variety of shapes and sizes, fancy crochet, very acceptable gift.

Scarfs, 50c, 98c, \$1.25, \$1.50

Head Throws, 50c, 87c, 98c

**SWEATER COATS**—For ladies and children. A gift that will be enjoyed and one that will last a long time.

Ladies' Sweaters, \$4.50, \$5.00, \$6.00

Children's Sweaters, 50c, 98c, \$1.25, \$1.98

**OUTING FLANNEL ROBES**—What a useful and practical gift, extra good values are here.

Ladies' Robes, 50c, 79c, 98c, \$1.00

Children's Robes, 50c

**UNDERWEAR**—Did you ever stop to think what a sensible gift, underwear will make. You certainly will find a good assortment here, and the quality is reliable and the prices very reasonable.

**SILK PETTICOATS**—Special Value \$1.98—Made of soft taffeta, changeable colors, neat flounce, has dust ruffle. A very acceptable gift.

**UMBRELLAS**—You can't go wrong when you buy an umbrella to give for a Christmas present. We have them from 50c to \$3.98

## WAISTS FOR CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

You know how much a lady appreciates a pretty waist. Why not make her a present of one for Christmas? Come here and you will find one of the best assortments. Every one is new and fresh and in best possible style.

**WAISTS FOR 98c**—many styles, waists of voile, neatly trimmed with embroidery and venise lace in fancy shape.

**WAISTS FOR 98c**—Of poplin and madras and grey flannels, plain and with stripes. Have the two way collar.

**WAISTS FOR \$1.98**—We are showing a large assortment of crepe-de-chene and voiles, in plain and fancy trimmed.

**WAISTS FOR \$2.49**—Of splendid quality, striped tub silk in blue, pink and black, several styles, all have the two-way collar, washable; an unusually good value.

**WAISTS FOR \$3.50** of pussy willow taffeta, a new material of excellent quality in white and pink, has the new idea—a black bow.

**WAISTS for \$3.98** of crepe-de-chene, mesaline, striped taffeta and plaid silk, beautiful styles in a wide range. Many have the two-way collars.

## GIFT APRONS

25c to \$1.00

Women's dainty white aprons for Christmas gifts. For reason of its usefulness—the gift of a pretty apron will be appreciated by almost any woman. If you have a gift of the kind to buy, it will be to your advantage to see the newest kinds shown here. Lace and Hamburg trimmed in fancy shape.

## ATTRACTIVE GIFT NOVELTIES

**COLGATES COMBINED COM-PORTS** for ladies and gents. Don't fail to see these. An excellent gift 75c

**GIFT BOX**—Contains tooth powder, talcum powder and nickel-tooth brush holder, all for 50c

**SWEET GRASS PIN CUSHIONS**, 25c and 50c

**POWDER BOXES and HAIR RECEIVERS**, 25c each

**WEEK-END TRAVELING CASES**, 25c and 50c

**HOUSEWIVES** in many designs, 25c and 50c

**LINGERIE RUNNERS** in neat box, 10c

**COMB SETS and separate combs** from 25c to \$1.00

**BARRETTS** in many styles, plain and jeweled, 10c to \$1.50

**HAT PINS**, many new designs, 10c and 25c pair

**BROOCHES**, large number of designs, 25c and 50c

**BEAUTY PINS and PIN SETS**, 10c to 50c

**TIE CLASPS and CUFF LINKS**, 25c each

## BEAUTIFUL GIFT HANDKERCHIEFS

We have them for gents, ladies and children. They are, by all odds, the one thing more generally given as Christmas presents than any other single object. We have a great display, numbering into the thousands, which shows that we have anticipated your desire. A great many new ideas have been brought out this season, and we have them.

**CREPE-DE-CHENE HANDKERCHIEFS**, plain centers with lace; embroidered edges, colored crepe-de-chene with lace to match, only 25c

**HAND EMBROIDERED LINENS**, beautiful designs. A large assortment to select from, 25c and 50c

**LINEN HANDKERCHIEFS** with venise lace edge in fancy shape, 25c, 50c, 87c, \$1.00

**HANDKERCHIEFS of fine quality** with colored embroidery and colored border, beautiful patterns 25c

**HANDKERCHIEFS**, handsomely embroidered in white and colors. An endless assortment for 5c, 10c, 12 1-2c, 15c

Our Christmas special in Handkerchiefs, extra good quality, plain lines with narrow hem. A quality seldom found for this price 12 1-2c

Plain Linen Handkerchiefs and handkerchiefs with initials for men and women for 12 1-2c, 15c, 25c

**CHILDREN'S HANDKERCHIEFS** in fancy boxes, 10c, 15c

**HANDKERCHIEF FOLDERS** neat design, nice for sending away handkerchiefs, 5c each

Our Store will be open evenings, Christmas week, beginning Dec. 20th. Will be closed all day Dec. 25th.

DRY GOODS  
**Thomas Smiley**  
SMILEY SYSTEM - SIX STORES  
NORWAY, MAINE

Special attention given to all mail orders. We pay Parcel Post charges on all orders.

## WILSON'S MILLS.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Ripley have moved into their new house. George Tins and wife have finished work at the Astor House and have gone to Caledonia.

Miss Lillian Rich has finished a successful term of fourteen weeks at school. She had a Christmas tree the last day. The following program was carried out:

"A Large Contract," Robert L. Olson  
Song, "I Can Stay Up,"  
Song, "When All the Lights Burn Low,"  
Song, "Santa Claus,"  
Song, "A Big Word,"  
Song, "The Christmas Postman,"  
Song, "Christ Has Filled Our Hearts With Praise,"

Arthur Hart  
Beatrice Olson  
Willie Adman  
Florence Hart  
Arthur Hart  
Opal Fox  
Willie Adman  
Nathan Harris  
Mrs. Tom Logan, Sunday.

## BONGO POND.

Mr. C. F. Upton was in Norway over Sunday.  
Mr. Frank Haggood, Miss Beatrice Brown and Beatrice Ewicker attended the dance at West Bethel, Saturday night.  
Mrs. Roscoe Emery is stopping for a while at El. Bartlett's in Bethel.  
Mr. and Mrs. Abner Kimball and Mr. Nathan Harris visited with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Logan, Sunday.

Mr. Geo. Burris, who has been to Skinner, Me., is stopping for a while with his sister, Mrs. A. B. Kimball. One Lot Hats—your choice \$1.00 at L. M. STEARNS'.

## NORTH BUCKFIELD.

School closed last Friday with a Christmas tree for the pupils. There will be two weeks vacation.  
Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Tilton and baby were at her uncle's, J. B. Hayden's,

recently.  
Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Turner and Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Honney of East Sumner were Sunday guests at A. B. Deasey's.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Keene were at C. B. Keene's, recently.  
Mrs. Albina Irish is somewhat better than she has been.

Frank Mitchell was in the place last week.  
Earl Hammond is at work for J. B. Blackwell.

## RUMFORD

Hon. Payson Smith, Superintendent of Schools, was Thursday and Friday forenoon at the Stephens High School at Rumford Point school building to his official duties upon his many friends who were formerly located. He was Superintendent of schools very enthusiastic member Universalist Church.

Much speculation, a disgust is expressed at a woman, who wears male attire, going from in this section. She was out of Bemis where working in the hotel Cummings & Son, coming to Rumford, while on she or he, boarded the Dixfield to go to Oquossoc he is going into the lumber work.

The Universalist Ladies' very successful sale, Thursday afternoon of last week were five tables of fancy articles as well as many articles designed for Christmas supper, was on the Burs consisted of lobster salad, quiches, hot rolls, coffee, various kinds of pies. There were \$182.00, with a net.

Mr. Franklin A. Martin the Maine Telephone Co. has just completed the No. 4 Private Branch Storage Battery Plant the Oxford Paper Co. operated by removing hook, which signals the small lights on the switch are fifteen stations, all lines installed. The plant furnishes the current, the storage battery, all from the mill lights. Nellie Hampden of Rumford obtained as the operator.

A regular meeting of Club was held at Hotel Monday evening of last week to the members dining room of the hotel the evening was given L. Griffin, who took for Making of Our City.

Major John Hadley is companies in different state last week.

About the first of January Ruff and Joseph Sullivan the Continental Paper leave for Australia to superintend the installation in a mill of the Con.

The ladies of St. Mary are to hold their annual articles and aprons on Tuesday. Refreshments will

Miss Florence Curley working at the home of Austin T. Hyde on Penobscot.

David Benzie, who has been at the Maine Coasted some time past, has returned and is planning to home in Scotland this week.

John Miller and Geo. two millwrights employed at National Paper mill, have just mine on Hemlock about five miles from Miller is an experienced and in company with prospecting the territory around. They found rock ore which Mr. Miller

stated as zinc. They found that there was an antimony of the ore. They sent the rock to Mr. Eddy, of

reau of Industry, who is rock to Prof. McKee of of Maine for treatment.

found in the 10 pounds three pounds of the zinc. Messrs. Miller and their discovery a secret

found an option on the Davis. They have purchased and intend to work

John E. Stephens has one of the twenty dollars offered in the window conducted by the American Works of Long Island 15,000 dollars completed and only twenty-eight

## SCHOOL TEACHERS

Teaching is wearing well those teachers who take their health can stand the of the class room. The cheeks, weary head, nerves of many teachers need of building up the improving the blood and general condition. H. A. of "L. F." Atwood's Medicine is very old home remedy reliable. You can take assurance that only good low its use. It is not a general conditioner of the stomach, liver and putting these important order, improves the appetite, the blood, strengthens the clear the head. Try note how soon you feel

Buy a 3c bottle at your or write to-day for free "L. F." Medicine Co.



## RUMFORD

Hon. Payson Smith, State Superintendent of Schools, was in town last Thursday and Friday for the dedication of the Stephens High School, and the Rumford Point school building. In addition to his official duties, he called upon his many friends here. Mr. Smith was formerly located in Rumford as superintendent of schools, and was a very enthusiastic member of the Universalist Church.

Much speculation, amusement, and disgust is expressed at the movements of a woman, who persists in wearing male attire, going from place to place in this section. She was recently driven out of Benis where she had been working in the dower mill of C. B. Cummings & Son, coming from there to Rumford, while on Thursday last, she or he, boarded the P. M. train at Dixfield to go to Quosness where she or he is going into the lumber camps to work.

The Universalist Ladies' Aid held a very successful sale and supper on Thursday afternoon of last week. There were five tables of fancy and useful articles as well as many very artistic articles designed for Christmas gifts. The supper was on the European plan, and consisted of lobster salad, chicken croquettes, hot rolls, coffee, and various kinds of pies. The gross receipts were \$182.00, with a net of about \$155.

Mr. Franklin A. Martin, employed by the Maine Telephone & Telegraph Co., has just completed the installation of a No. 4 Private Branch Exchange and Storage Battery Plant in the mill of the Oxford Paper Co. This system is operated by removing receiver from hook, which signals the operator by small lights on the switchboard. There are fifteen stations, and three trunk lines installed. The storage battery plant furnishes the current for the system, the storage batteries being charged from the mill lighting system. Miss Nellie Hampden of Rumford has been obtained as the operator.

A regular meeting of the Cosmos Club was held at Hotel Rumford on Monday evening of this week, with supper to the members in the private dining room of the hotel. The paper of the evening was given by Mr. Martin L. Griffin, who took for a subject, "The Making of Our City."

Major John H. Hildy inspected militia companies in different parts of the state last week.

About the first of January, Horbert Ruff and Joseph Sullivan, employees of the Continental Paper Bag Co., will leave for Australia where they will superintend the installation of machinery in a mill of the Continental.

The ladies of St. Margaret's Guild are to hold their annual sale of fancy articles and aprons on Thursday of this week. Refreshments will be served.

Miss Florence Curley of Portland is working at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Austin T. Hyde on Penobscot street.

David Benzie, who has been employed at the Maine Coated Paper mill for some time past, has resigned his position and is planning to sail for his old home in Scotland this week.

John Miller and George Matheson, two millwrights employed in the International Paper mill, have discovered a size mine on Hemlock Mountain, about five miles from Rumford. Mr. Miller is an experienced mineralogist, and in company with Matheson has prospected the territory for miles around. They found rock in which was ore which Mr. Miller quickly recognized as zinc. They investigated and found that there was an immense quantity of the ore. They sent 10 pounds of the rock to Mr. Eddy, of the State Bureau of Industry, who in turn sent the rock to Prof. McKee of the University of Maine for treatment. Prof. McKee found in the 10 pounds of rock over three pounds of the best quality of zinc. Messrs. Miller and Matheson kept their discovery a secret until they obtained an option on the land from Mr. Davis. They have purchased the property and intend to work the mine at once.

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## Bethel Women Are Finding Relief at Last

It does seem that women have more than a fair share of the aches and pains that afflict humanity; they must "keep up," must attend to duties in spite of constantly aching backs, or headaches, dizzy spells, beating-down pains; they must stoop over, when to stoop means torture. They must walk and bend and work with racking pains and many aches from kidney ills. Keeping the kidneys well has spared thousands of women much misery. Read of a remedy for kidneys only that is endorsed by people you know.

Mrs. Lola M. Lary, Bethel, says: "I was troubled by my kidneys for several years. If I did any work, I felt tired. I suffered intensely from backache and I also had much trouble from the kidney secretions. Doan's Kidney Pills gave me relief as soon as I began taking them."

SOME TIME LATER, Mrs. Lary said: "Doan's Kidney Pills are a mighty fine medicine and I am glad to confirm my former endorsement."

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## WEST PARIS

Mrs. A. E. Marshall has been quite poorly, but is improving. Ellsworth D. Curtis took a hunting trip to Upton last week. While away he had the misfortune to have his horse break through a barn floor and lame it very badly.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis M. Mann, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Mann, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Mann and daughter, Persis, were at Norway, Sunday, to attend the Peterson-Mann wedding.

Alton Rowell is very poorly. The stores are looking very attractive in holiday attire and have a nice line of Christmas goods.

There will be a union Christmas tree and exercises at the Baptist Church in which the three Sunday Schools of the village will unite.

All of the stores and business concerns are putting out their usual attractive calendars, but the most beautiful we have seen are from the store of G. A. Smith and are handsome and expensive. They make a real Christmas present.

School closed Friday with the exception of the high school, which has one week longer. The teachers with the exception of Miss Wall, principal, have gone to their homes. The primary and intermediate grades enjoyed a Christmas tree, Friday. On Thursday evening the scholars held a sociable at Centennial Hall.

Gorham, N. H., Lodge of Rebekahs were invited to visit Onward Rebekah Lodge last week and 15 members responded to the invitation. Onward Lodge nominated officers and did degrees work. A program was given at the close of the entertainment. Supper was served to the visitors and refreshments at the close of the work.

Independents, Wednesday evening the Lithuanian Band and the Brass Band will give a street concert from 6.30 to 7.30. Thursday evening a band concert will be given at the Institute by the Boys' Band. Friday evening a basketball game between the High School and the Institute team, and Saturday a marathon race from the watering trough at the head of Congress street to the depot and return twice, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd prizes denoted by dealers. Fire engine demonstration twice each day on Congress and Canal streets. Master Leo Lyons, the 10 year old boy soprano, dancer and impersonator, will be at Mechanics Institute on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings, also on the afternoons of those days.

Two alarms of fire from box 26 early Tuesday morning called the department to a brick fire in the building belonging to Henriette Coulombe on River street. It caught in the beer shop in the basement of that building, spread up through the building, and caught on the roof of the next building belonging to John Winkout. The buildings were pretty well gutted, and the loss to Mrs. Coulombe was quite severe, although partly covered by insurance. Winkout had insurance on his building, but none on his furniture lot.

It was discovered on Monday that the house on Pine street owned and occupied by George Pettengill had been broken into and ransacked from top to bottom. The family have gone south for the winter months, and the key has been left in charge of Mrs. B. L. Melcher. On Monday, Miss Bertha Israelson noticed that things did not look as usual from the outside view, and going over to Mrs. Melcher's she made it known to them. Mr. Philip Israelson and Mrs. Melcher immediately went over and found things in a terrible condition. A barrel of cut glass being already packed in a wheel barrel and left at the cellar door to be taken away as soon as the thieves considered it safe to do so. The police were at once notified, and all efforts are being made to locate the guilty parties.

A chimney fire in a house on Spring avenue owned by M. A. Lord caused some little damage on Monday night, but the loss is fully covered by insurance.

SUNSHINE A GERMICIDE.

Tests show that germs of disease can not survive when exposed to the Sun.

Sunshine is an amazingly potent germicide for the farm housekeeper and in the dairy and stables. The practice of exposing cooking and other utensils used in connection with food to direct sunlight makes use of this fact, although comparatively few appreciate exactly the work done by the sun in this regard. Probably only those who are acquainted with tests which have actually been made realize how quickly sunshine kills disease germs exposed to it. Hence the following tests may be generally instructive and interesting.

A paste, creamy mass of tuberculous material, which was proved to contain uncountable numbers of virulent tubercle bacilli, was obtained from a tuberculous cow and spread in thin smooth pieces of wood, and strips of muslin. Some of the sheets of glass, pieces of wood, and strips of muslin were then placed outdoors on a moderately warm,

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What you save in coal and extra clothes bills, and other winter necessities in the East, will pay for a few months' stay in California.

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clear, calm day where the sun could shine on them, and an equal number were placed in a dark room. After 15 minutes exposure to the sun, the tuberculous material on the glass, wood, and muslin still contained large numbers of living, virulent tubercle bacilli, which were proved to be fully capable of causing tuberculosis, but after 30 minutes exposure to the sun no living tubercle bacilli could be found; every test that could be made proved that they were all dead.

Similar tests with quite large opaque masses of tuberculous material, larger and denser than any tuberculous person is apt to expectorate, proved, that the bacilli in such masses on glass are still alive after 3 hours, but entirely dead in less than 8 hours, and still alive in the material on wood and muslin after 8, but dead in less than 16 hours.

The tuberculous material in thin layers on glass, wood, and muslin, kept in a dark room, was proved to contain fully virulent, living tubercle bacilli after 30 days. The contrast is remarkable, tubercle bacilli of the same kind, on the same kind of material, dying in a smaller number of minutes in the sunshine than the number of days they remained alive in a dark room.

As most varieties of disease germs are more easily destroyed by germs than tubercle bacilli, and as tubercle bacilli, in the thin layers in which they are likely to adhere to clothing, blankets, rugs, draperies, furniture, walls, floors, etc., are killed by the rays of the sun in less than half an hour, though they remain alive in dark places a month, and longer, it is reasonable to draw the following conclusions:

(a) As a general sanitary principle it is desirable that all dwellings, stables, etc., should be so constructed that an abundance of sunshine can reach their interiors.

(b) As a general protective measure against disease germs, it is an excellent practice to expose utensils for handling milk, and milk cans after they have been cleaned, to direct sunlight, and to hang or spread wearing apparel, blankets, bedding, rugs, horse blankets, etc., periodically where the sun can shine on all parts of them.

## ARE SHEEP PROFITABLE IN MAINE.

The council of the Maine Agricultural Experiment Station, at its meeting in April, 1914, authorized the purchase of ordinary grade sheep sufficient to stock Highmoor Farm for the purpose of studying the question as to whether sheep can or cannot be profitably raised in Maine. The sheep were not to be of a fancy type, or be purebred, so that none of the animals could be sold at a fancy price. Nor were they to be early bred to produce "hot-house" lambs for the high price of the early market. They were to be just plain sheep, such as any ordinary farmer could carry. While care was to be exercised in handling the sheep, no high price labor was to be used. Nor was a special "shepherd" to be employed.

There will always be an expense for fitting up and maintaining pastures, buildings, etc., for sheep that will vary on different farms and with different farmers. The overhead charges, such as interest, taxes, and the like, will also vary with varying conditions. In an experiment conducted by the station, where it is necessary to keep individual records, buttons for the ears, and time involved in note-taking are expense items that the ordinary farmer need not be at. For this reason the cost of fencing the pastures, erecting shelters in the pastures, fitting up the barns for winter quarters, expenses for piping water, water troughs, sheep dipping tanks, shearing machine, root and feed cutters, rent of land for pastures and crops for the sheep, while necessary expenses that must be taken into

## ANDOVER

Mrs. Alexander Jackson received word last week of her sister's sudden death and she and Mr. Jackson left in the afternoon for Boston, where they will remain this winter.

Mrs. Abbie Poor, who has been visiting friends at Rumford, returned to Andover, Tuesday, of last week and is living in her house on Main street, recently occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Jackson.

Miss Ellen Akers, who has been visiting her brother, Nathan Akers and family, at Rumford, returned home, Monday.

Bert Dunn and family and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Thomas were guests Sunday of Roger Thurston and wife.

Benjamin Russell and party from So. Paris were hunting at C. Pond the first of the week.

Fred Grover was at Rumford, Monday.

Irving Hanson, wife and daughter, who have been visiting at Y. A. Thurston's, returned home, Monday. Mr. Hanson carried an eight point buck with him that he shot at C. Pond last week.

The Ancient and Honorable Whist Club held its first meeting, Saturday evening at Mr. C. A. Rand's. Nineteen members were present. Prizes were won by Mrs. C. A. Rand and G. J. Swett, 1st; and Mrs. Smith and G. A. Rand, 2nd. Refreshments were served.

Mrs. E. E. Bedell, Mrs. Y. A. Thurston and Roger Thurston were at Rumford, Monday.

The schools in town will close Friday for a three weeks' vacation.

Miss Bertha Poor leaves this week for Florida where she has work for the winter.

The Ladies' Aid of the Congregational Church held their annual sale in the Town Hall, Wednesday evening, Dec. 8th. The ladies in charge of the booths were: Fancy work: Mrs. Frank Newton, Mrs. Fred Milton, Mrs. Y. A. Thurston and Mrs. Abbie Poor. Approns: Mrs. Wirt Lovejoy, Mrs. Girdler Swett and Mrs. R. A. Grover. Candles: Mrs. Arthur Lang, Ethel McAllister and Ellen Akers. Christmas Trees: Mrs. I. E. Mills, Mrs. Frank McAllister, William Tollet Goods, Evelyn Smith and Alice Andrews. A harvest supper was served in the lower hall from 6 to 8 o'clock with Mrs. Fred Smith, Mrs. Olive Drösser and Mrs. Albert Grossman in charge. About seventy dollars was realized from the sale.

A variety shower was given Miss Geneva Burgess, Thursday evening, Dec. 9, at the home of her sister, Mrs. Harry Thomas. About thirty friends were present and enjoyed the evening very much. Dainty refreshments were served. Miss Burgess received many nice presents.

Sadie Bailey is spending a few days with Mrs. Lucy Elliott at North Rumford.

Mr. A. J. Marble from Rumford Point was in town last week, buying sheep.

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The King's Daughters will meet Thursday afternoon with Mrs. R. A. Grover.

Geo. Learned shot two nice deer at C. Pond last week.

Jesse Glover and wife visited at Sylvanus Learned's, Sunday.

account by the practical farmer, are omitted from the following statement. The items included are amount paid for sheep, cost of labor in care of sheep and growing crops for the sheep, cost of purchased food and fair allowance for hay and straw fed, the cost of dips and other medicines, and the cost of the seed for crops. The 75 sheep, with their 55 lambs and three purebred bucks, cost, including freight, \$755.15. These were to be two and three years old. Some of them were eight years old. Each was to have at least one lamb. There were only 55 lambs for the 75 ewes. At the valuation put upon the sheep at inventory in 1915, these sheep were worth at time of purchase, \$515, or \$140.15 less than we paid. In the following account, this item of \$140.15 is deducted from the expense account as perhaps not being a fair charge against the experiment, for possibly another buyer might have purchased his sheep at our inventory price. The sheep are credited with lambs, with sheep and wool sold, with manure produced and with inventory (June 30, 1915) of 61 ewes three years or more old, 22 yearling ewes, three bucks, 42 ewe lambs and 31 buck lambs.

The cost for seed, sheep, food, labor and medicines, aggregated, \$1808.63 for the year ending June 30, 1915. The sales and inventory aggregated \$1048.87. The total loss after making all allowances and without any consideration of overhead charges, depreciation of plant, rent of land, interest on investment, or taxes that a farmer would pay, was \$257.76, or about \$3.45 for each of the old ewes.

The wool and lambs were sold as well as the ordinary farmer could expect. The most noticeable leak is in the value

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# ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Pursuant to a license from the Honorable Judge of Probate for the County of Oxford, I shall sell at public auction, on the 10th day of January, A. D. 1916, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, on the premises, all the right, title and interest which John Porter, late of Andover, in said County of Oxford, deceased, had in and to the following described real estate, viz:

One-seventh share, part, and interest in common and undivided in and to a certain parcel of land on the east side of the road in Andover leading from Andover Village to Rumford, commencing on the line of F. S. Smith's land near the Brick Yard, so-called, and running on said line easterly ten rods; thence northerly and parallel with the main road eight rods; thence westerly and parallel with said Smith's land to the main road ten rods; thence southerly along said road to the point of beginning. Being the same premises conveyed by William Gregg to Mary L. Porter by deed dated June 3rd, 1892 and recorded in Oxford Registry of Deeds, Book 230, Page 334.

Dated the 6th day of December, A. D. 1915.

ARETAE E. STEARNS,  
Administrator.

use of the manure. Sheep manure is quite concentrated, but it freezes readily. In 1914-15, the manure was handled as is common, so far as our experience goes, with sheep men in Maine. But the plant food in the consumed food was worth more than \$150, while we could not value the manure for use on the land at more than \$24. In 1915-16 the manure will be removed, together with the bedding, monthly, and kept under cover for hogs to work on. It is hoped that this practice will conserve the plant food better than was the case in 1914-15.

This is not the place to give the details of labor and food consumed. But these have been tabulated, and if anyone is interested, copies may be had on application to the undersigned at Orono. Helpful criticisms and suggestions for changes in management will be welcomed. The writer would be very glad if a way can be found that will show sheep husbandry to be profitable for this state.

There were a number of things, such as lateness of the time the sheep were received, and the too old ewes, with the consequent smaller fleeces and reduced lamb production, that interfered with this being a fair test. Because of that, the experiment was started all over again July 1 of the present year. The older sheep were disposed of, the yearling lambs will be bred, enough of the ewe lambs were kept to replace the ewes that should be removed another year. These are all inventoried at meat prices. Raring accidents, there would seem to be no reason why the sheep will not have the best possible chance to make good this year. If they do not, it would seem as though there is a reason entirely independent of losses by dogs for the number of sheep in Maine falling from 500,000 in 1880 to about 125,000 at the present time.

Chas. D. Woods.

## SCHOOL TEACHERS

Teaching is wearing work, and only those teachers who take good care of their health can stand the daily strain of the class room. The dull eyes, pale cheeks, weary head, and unstraining nerves of many teachers show the need of building up the nerve-force, improving the blood and helping the general condition. Have you heard of "L. F. Atwood's Medicine"? It is a very old home remedy, and entirely reliable. You can take it with the assurance that only good effects follow its use. It is not a "cure-all," but a general "conditioner" which acts on the stomach, liver and bowels, and by getting these important organs in order, improves the appetite, purifies the blood, strengthens the nerves and clears the head. Try a bottle and note how soon you feel its beneficial influence.

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## THE NATIONAL CAPITAL.

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The dishonest methods by which trade is sought through cutting prices on standing articles of merchandise and "making it up" on inferior goods which are sold at prices far above their value. The sentiment among the Congressmen who have returned to Washington, clearly indicates that they feel that the time has come for the federal government to help enforce respectability in merchandising, in the interest of the consumer, and in the aid of the country merchant, who is being driven out by the mail order and catalogue houses. The evidence is all to the effect that the small merchant must do his business in a fair and square manner, in order to hold the patronage of the public. On the other hand, this same exacting public follows the lure of "bargains", and whether it be in his Christmas shopping, or at any other period of the year, the number of people who make their money at home and send away for goods, is constantly increasing. The small merchants all handle brands of nationally known goods which are called for by name by their customers. Now Congress, through the Stevens bill, proposes to stop the catalogue and mail order houses, and some of the large city stores, from using cut-throat methods in handling established lines of goods as a bait in moving inferior articles. The results of investigations by the Bureau of Corporations and Federal Trade Commission, as well as the report of a committee of the United States Chamber of Commerce, all find in favor of consistent regulation of resale prices. And when this is done, the small town will, in a measure, come into its own.

### WOMAN'S SUFFRAGE IN WASHINGTON.

The leaders of the woman's suffrage movement have evidently not been disheartened by reason of adverse results in the fall elections, and a campaign is under way at the national capital to center efforts upon Congress. The suffragists wish to secure an amendment to the Constitution of the United States that will give full and nationwide enfranchisement to women. There will be requisite a two-thirds vote of each of the houses, after which the amendment would go to each of the States for ratification. When two-thirds of the States have accepted an amendment the fact is duly promulgated and the law becomes effective.

The suffrage leaders can do business much better with small bodies than with large ones, and they therefore feel that more could be done by the national movement, as Congress would pass the measure along to the States, and the suffragists would concentrate their efforts upon one legislature after another until they had secured thirty-six ratifications.

The attitude of many of the administration leaders is in opposition to this program, and among those who are opposed is President Wilson, who insists that the States should take the matter up and settle it. In view of the recent elections the women are hardly satisfied with this method. They ascribe their defeat to various causes and the woman's Congressional Union, which has taken upon itself the responsibility for fostering the movement in Washington, is giving plenty of signs of activity. A good many Congressmen who have been prominent in the suffrage cause, have rather weakened in their activity since the recent elections.

## KIDNEY DISEASE KILLS

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### LOCKE'S MILLS.

King Bartlett of Norway has moved his family here. Mr. Bartlett is the new station agent.

Leslie Davis' brother from Hanover visited with him over Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Rand, Curtis Abbott, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Farrington and daughter, Ruth, were in Norway, Friday, to attend the picture play, "The Birth of a Nation."

Mrs. George Tirrell and son, Lewis, were guests of friends in South Paris the week end.

Frank Cummings of Milton, was in town, Sunday.

The teachers of Bethel and Greenwood met at the schoolhouse, Friday afternoon, and held a very interesting teachers' meeting.

Rev. J. H. Little of Bethel preached at the Union Church, Sunday.

George Tuttle was in Norway, Friday.

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### MESA VERDE DISCOVERIES.

Enos Mills, Rocky Mountain Naturalist, Describes Results of Excavations. Under A Great Mound—Splendid Prehistoric Structure of Cut and Polished Stone, Probably a Fortress in Prehistoric Days.

"The exploring excavations in the Mesa Verde National Park which the Department of the Interior is conducting under the direction of Dr. Jesse W. Fewkes, of the Smithsonian Institution, are successful to a degree scarcely anticipated when the work was begun."

Thus said Enos Mills, author and naturalist, when interviewed at his home under the shadow of Long's Peak. He has recently returned from an examination of the work so far accomplished by the busy scientists.

"The new excavation," continued Mr. Mills, "is across the canyon from the famous Cliff Palace. This palace, as the remarkable prehistoric city is foolishly called, stands beneath the rim of the east side of the canyon, while the astonishing structure first unearthed stands upon the rim of the west side. Of Cut and Polished Stone."

"For many years visitors to the Mesa Verde National Park have noticed a huge mound opposite the Cliff Palace with trees growing upon it. It has aroused a great deal of curiosity, and many have been the speculations concerning its meaning, especially when stones were discovered emerging from it that evidently had been cut by tools in the hands of man. It is this mound which the Department of the Interior determined to explore and under which Dr. Fewkes has just found the most remarkable prehistoric structure north of the Aztec architecture in Mexico."

"This splendid structure is of cut and polished stone. The building has the form of a capital D. The straight elevation is 123 feet long and the curved part 245 feet. The outer walls are double, and between them are a series of narrow rooms. As the outer walls are unbroken, the entrance to this building must have been either subterranean or by the means of ladders through the top."

Dr. Fewkes' Theory.  
"Dr. Fewkes believes the ruin was an uncompleted fortress abandoned when the cliff dwellers disappeared from the Rocky Mountain region. He does not think the cliff dwellers were exterminated, however, but believes that, about the time they abandoned their unfinished fortress they had become strong enough to leave their mountain refuges and mingle with the tribes of the lowlands. After that, perhaps, they became amalgamated with the various Indian races and lost their separate identity."

"At Moki Spring, a short distance from these ruins, there are a number of other tree-growth mounds very similar in appearance to the one just excavated. Here and there cut stones are exposed in these. It is possible that there is a buried city beneath these mounds. Dr. Fewkes hopes next year to find whether or not there is a buried and prehistoric city concealed beneath."

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Or stay the silent heartfelt tear,  
Of earthly friends she was the best,  
My erring, youthful steps to guide,  
Oh do not smile because I weep,  
I'm lonely since my mother died.

I'm lonely since my mother died,  
Though friends and kindred gather near,  
I cannot check the rising sigh,  
Nor stay the silent heartfelt tear.

You may not deem it brave or strong  
To let these tears so often flow,  
But those who've lost a mother's love  
Can tell the pain of my sad woe.  
Could I but call her back again,  
And kneel once more down by her side,

I'd love her better than before,  
I'm lonely since my mother died.

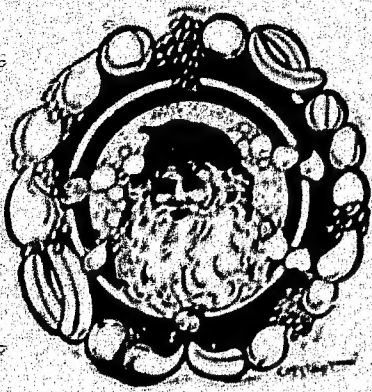
O, you, who have a mother dear,  
Let not a word or act give pain;  
But cherish, love her with your life,  
You ne'er can have her like again.  
Then when she's called from you away  
Across death's dark and troubled tide,  
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### ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

The first real snow storm came Tuesday and it looks as if winter had really begun.

Miss Ava Andrews of Norway was a guest of relatives and friends the first of the week.

The grain business in Bethel is booming. J. B. Ham Co. unloaded eight full cars of different grains last week.

Mrs. Walter Ring and little son, Wendall, from West Paris visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kendall, a few days the past week.

Mr. Harold Hastings, who has been spending several weeks with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Hastings, returned to his home in Dorchester, Fri-

day.

Miss Alice French went to Boston last Thursday for a few days to be near her brother, George French, of Mechanic Falls, who is at Carney Hospital for surgical treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Hastings and Mrs. W. O. Straw left Friday for Florida, where they will spend the winter. Mrs. O. M. Mason, who is spending a short time with her son, Leslie Mason, in Portland, plans to join them later.

The Congregational Church held its annual roll call last Wednesday. A goodly number were present to respond in person to their names and many letters were read from absent members. The music was inspiring, the messages were helpful and the re-

port of the year's work from the pastor and the officers of the several departments of church work were encouraging. A kindly message was sent to Mrs. Florilla Richardson, the oldest member, who was celebrating her ninety-second birthday. After the singing of several of the familiar hymns, light refreshments were served and a pleasant social hour was spent.

### BRYANT'S POND.

Changes have been made in the winter term of school for the Chase District and under instructions from the committee the scholars are being carried to the village school by Dana O. Dudley. The winter term of the North Woodstock school has been delayed by the illness of the teacher.

There will be a festival and tree at the Baptist Church again this year con-

ducted by the young people.

The stores are ready with the annual display of holiday goods.

Orman Smith of New Hampshire is working for Daniel Estes.

Edward Carver, whose house was burned at North Woodstock, has moved to Milton, where he is occupying the Vinton Abbott house.

Albert Davis will do a large logging business this winter in the Sygoth section. Several thousand cords of birch and pulp wood will be landed at the mills and on the banks of the streams.

Harry Howe has contracted again to haul strips from the Emmons mill in Greenwood to the spool factory in this village.

William T. Trinwood, a former employee in the Lewiston Journal office, is working in the job office of A. M.

Chase & Co.

The new high school building is fully completed and may be dedicated this week. The winter term of school will be continued there, commencing Dec. 20.

Two wells have been started on the Ellery property across the lake to supply water for the big summer house to be erected another season. It has been a difficult job and much blasting has been required in the solid rock at the base of the mountain.

### GROVER HILL.

Mr. Elmer Lyon from Auburn is in town to enjoy a few days hunting.

Mr. Evanier Whitman was a week end guest of friends in Norway.

Mr. Roy Grover from Gorham has employment with Fred Mundt.

Miss Nellie Blake, whose home is in Milan, N. H., is the guest of her sister, Miss Beatrice Blake, at Albert L. Whitman's.

Mr. Lincoln Cummings, the Bethel fur dealer, was in the place very recently, buying furs.

Mrs. E. R. Whitman and daughter, Dorothy, from Boston, are staying at A. L. Whitman's.

George A. Mundt is boarding at Holden Hall this term.

Mr. A. J. Peaslee from Bethel village called on friends here, Sunday.

It is rumored that Mr. George Grover has purchased a part of the D. M. Grover farm of Messrs. Herrick and Park.

Mrs. A. B. Grover and Miss Amy Wheeler visited their sister, Mrs. Fred Wood, at Bethel village, one day last week.

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We wish all our readers a very Merry Christmas.

Miss Alice Willis was in Auburn the first of the week.

The Weellafallott Whist Club met with Mrs. Harry Brown last Friday evening.

Miss Maria Pense, who has been spending a few weeks in Boston, has returned to Bethel.

Mr. and Mrs. John Carter are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a son, Dec. 14.

Miss Kathryn Bryant of Bangor is spending the Christmas holidays with relatives in town.

Mr. Wm. Bingham, 2nd., has returned from New York and Boston, where he has been spending a few weeks.

Mr. Albert Burke has opened a plumbing shop in the rear of Chas. L. Davis's shop on Main street.

Mr. Dan Smith had the misfortune to hurt his ankle quite badly while working at Bryant's Pond, last week.

Mr. Wallace A. Merrill of Portland is spending the Christmas holidays with his mother, Mrs. Ellen A. Merrill.

The Rumford Falls Times has the following: "The school children of Ogunness have sent a fine Christmas tree to Francis Woodrow Sayre, grandson of President Wilson. Contributions from them raised 208 pennies to pay the express. The tree was set up in the school yard; the children danced about it and each one kissed a tip of a branch. Lucille Whittier, one of the pupils, and a friend of the poet, placed the tag on the tree, which bore the address and the inscription of the donors. It is said that moving picture photographers took views for the Pathe News. At all events the tree was photographed and the children marched to the train with the tree. The idea was originated by the teacher, Miss Edith Farwell, of Bethel."

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Mrs. J. G. Gehring has been spending a few weeks in Boston.

Mr. Frank Robertson of Portland was visiting relatives in town last week.

Mr. W. J. Upson has returned from Boston, where he has been spending a few days.

Sheriff Harry Hastings and Claud Goddard went to Berlin, Monday, returning in the afternoon.

Mr. B. W. Kimball left Thursday for the Magalloway region for the winter, as scaler for the Berlin Mills Co.

Mr. Clyde Lowe and Miss Marjorie Lapham of Bryant's Pond were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cole.

Judge A. E. Herrick, E. O. Park, Esq., and H. R. Hastings, Esq., attended Probate Court at Paris the first of the week.

Mr. Chester Wheeler won first on cream and second on dairy butter at the Maine Dairying Association meeting in Lewiston, recently.

Among those who are attending the State Grange in Portland this week are: Mr. and Mrs. Herman Mason, Rev. J. H. Little, Mr. and Mrs. B. E. L. Farwell, Mrs. Fred Taylor.

The Ladies' Club will meet with Mrs. W. G. Curtis, Thursday afternoon at 2.30 instead of the usual hour. The ladies are requested to come prepared to make candy bags for the Christmas tree.

Three boys of Wolf Patrol, Troop II, of Bethel, Me., took quite a hike last Friday, when Robert Hanscom, Lawrence Kimball and Eugene Van Don Kerkhoven walked to the Ice Caves of Greenwood and back the same day, and voted it a fine tramp.

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Our 5 and 10 Cent Counter has proved a great attraction, and there have been many Toys, Games, etc. added.

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**THE HOME**

Pleasant Reveries—  
Dedicated to Tired  
as they Join the  
Circle at Evening

**WHO WILL LET ME**

I hear the bells; they ring  
Like drops of shaken  
I hear a hundred voices  
"Old Christmas comes  
And yet his feet go down  
Unheard amid the din;  
At every door his hand  
But who will let him in?  
I see him stand and knock  
I hear the tick o' the clock  
Before the crow o' the  
friend—  
Now who will let him in?

He brings the glow of love  
The silken-kiss of curls  
When down the middle  
addle  
We led the rows of girls  
Across our eyes a mist will  
But not a mist of pain;  
The world will range and  
change.  
But Christmas comes again  
His step is wearing slow,  
But still our hearts will go  
And blushes gleam and go,  
For Christmas comes again

The dearest things our  
keep,  
The deepest things of all  
The thoughts that make  
weep,  
The flowers that never  
The hope that guards the  
wrong,  
The peace we work to win  
The light that rises clear  
When darkness folds us  
The love that keeps us  
friend,  
The kindness that forgave,  
The peace that comes to  
friend—  
'Twas Christmas let them

I rise and gaze across the  
The night is cold and blue  
But yonder, see, a little light  
Is burning, like a prayer,  
Oh, some are high, and some  
But all are mortal kin;  
The stars look down, and  
know  
Which heart hath let him in?  
I see him stand and knock,  
I hear the tick o' the clock  
Before the crow o' the  
friend—  
Now who will let him in?  
—Canon Frederick Ja

**CHRISTMAS JOY**

To most children, and indeed  
to nearly everyone, Christmas  
best day, and the crowning  
year. The day longed  
anticipated by all who live in  
land. Thanksgiving and the  
July belong more especially  
American born, but Christmas  
and always has belonged to  
tries and nations. From wh  
or country you, my sister,  
come—you have known and  
Christmas season all your  
Christmas spirit lives in al  
whatever name you may h  
it. The real spirit of Chris  
changes. "Kris Kringle"  
Claus"—The Christ Cl  
breathes forth the spirit of  
fig. Some people are tryin  
us believe that the old Chri  
is of love is lost in a spiri  
are exchange of gifts; but l  
ers have done our part, ou  
ha e grown up with the love  
as well as of receiving. O

**Assist Yo  
Stomac**

To Get Rid of the Pol  
Quases and Fermenting

A good long fast will  
sometimes. A trip to the  
tains, tramping, rough  
Yes, very good remedies.  
But are you going to  
yourself of either one of  
remedies. Not. Then th  
best thing is to try a be  
Peruna. Take it accordin  
rection. You will have a  
appetite. All gas and fer  
tion in the stomach wi  
appear.

Read what Mrs. Emma  
Box 204, Fort Pierce, F  
says: "I was taken se  
with swelling of the stom  
bowels, and great distress  
painful. Three doctors g  
no relief. Could not eat  
thing. Everything sour  
was starving to death. I  
taking Peruna and was  
strong enough to do work.  
taking five bottles I can  
fully say I am well. I  
twenty pounds."



## THE HOME CIRCLE.

Pleasant Reveries—A Column Dedicated to Tired Mothers as they Join the Home Circle at Evening Tide.

## WHO WILL LET HIM IN?

I hear the bells; they slide and fall  
Like drops of shaken rain;  
I hear a hundred voices call:  
"Old Christmas comes again!"  
And yet his feet go down the street  
Unheard amid the din;  
At every door his hand will beat,  
But who will let him in?  
I see him stand and knock, my friend,  
I hear the tick o' the clock, my friend,  
Before the crow o' the cock, my friend—  
Now who will let him in?

He brings the glow of long ago,  
The silken-kiss of curls,  
When down the middle to the  
We led the rows of girls.  
Across our eyes a mist will rise,  
But not a mist of pain;  
The world will range and shift and  
change,  
But Christmas comes again.  
His step is hearing, glow, my friend,  
But still our hearts will go, my friend,  
And blushing gleam and go, my friend—  
For Christmas comes again.

The dearest things our hearts may  
keep,  
The deepest things of all;  
The thoughts that make us laugh or  
weep,  
The flowers that never fall;  
The hope that guards the world from  
wrong,  
The peace we work to win;  
The light that rises clear and strong  
When darkness folds us in;  
The love that keeps us brave, my  
friend,  
The kindness that forgave, my friend,  
The peace that comes to save, my  
friend—  
'Twas Christmas let them in.

I rise and gaze across the night;  
The night is cold and bare,  
But yonder, see, a little light  
Is burning, like a prayer!  
Oh, some are high, and some are low,  
But all are mortal kin;  
The stars look down, and who may  
know  
Which heart hath let him in?  
I see him stand and knock, my friend,  
I hear the tick o' the clock, my friend,  
Before the crow o' the cock, my friend—  
Now who will let him in?  
—Canon Frederick Langbridge.

## CHRISTMAS JOYS.

To most children, and indeed, I think  
to nearly everyone, Christmas is the  
best day, and the crowning holiday of  
the year. The day longed for and an-  
ticipated by all who live in this broad  
land. Thanksgiving and the Fourth of  
July bring more especially to the  
American born, but Christmas belongs,  
and always has belonged to all coun-  
tries and nations. From whatever land  
or country you, my sister, may have  
come—you have known and loved the  
Christmas season all your life. The  
Christmas spirit lives in all lands, by  
whatever name you may have known  
it. The real spirit of Christmas never  
changes. "Kris Kringle," "Santa  
Claus," "The Christ Child," all  
behave forth the spirit of loving giv-  
ing. Some people are trying to make  
us believe that the old Christmas spir-  
it of love is lost in a spirit of mercen-  
ary exchange of gifts; but if we Mothers  
have done our part, our children  
have grown up with the love of giving  
as well as of receiving. Of course we

all love to receive gifts, for they tell  
us of the continued remembrance of  
our friends for us, even if we are no  
longer children.

## CHRISTMAS CANDY.

**Peanut Brittle**—One pound of granu-  
lated sugar, melted in a skillet but not  
scorched. When melted, add a lump of  
butter, size of a walnut, and one quart  
of finely chopped peanuts. Stir well,  
and pour a little on a buttered board;  
roll thin with a buttered rolling pin, as  
it hardens quickly; continue until all  
is formed into sheets.

**Peanut Creams**—Break into a bowl  
the white of one egg; add one table-  
spoonful of orange juice, and into this  
gradually stir sufficient sugar to make  
a thick paste. Mix with it one teaspoon-  
ful of finely chopped peanuts. Form in-  
to balls, roll in pulverized sugar and  
lay on buttered dishes to dry. When  
dry, each can be dipped into melted  
chocolate if preferred.

**Maple Caramels**—Two cupsful of  
brown sugar, one and one-half cups of  
maple syrup, one-half cup of cream and  
one tablespoonful of butter. Test the  
cooking as for chocolate caramels. Pour  
on buttered shallow pans. Cut in  
squares when cool. Nuts can be sprink-  
led on the greased pan before pouring,  
or stirred into the caramel just before  
moving from the fire.

**Chocolate Fudge**—One-pound cake  
of chocolate, two pounds of granulated  
sugar, one cup of cream or rich milk,  
one teaspoonful of vanilla, a large-sized  
piece of butter, about an eighth of a  
pound, a good-sized pinch of salt. Dis-  
solve the chocolate over the tea kettle,  
then mix with it the sugar and cream  
and return to the stove. After it comes  
to a boil, stir in the butter and salt.  
Boil until the mixture forms a very  
soft ball when dropped in ice water.  
It should have just consistency enough  
not to go to pieces when picked up.  
Beat vigorously, stirring in the vanilla  
when the candy has cooled slightly.  
Pour into buttered pans, and when al-  
most set, mark in squares with a knife.  
This is also an excellent icing for  
chocolate cake.

**Opera Caramels**—Two cups sugar,  
three-quarters cup thin cream, butter  
the size of a walnut, one teaspoonful  
vanilla. Place ingredients in a gran-  
ite saucepan and bring slowly to a  
boil. Cook until candy forms a soft  
ball in cold water. Remove from fire  
and place pan of hot candy in a pan of  
cold water for three minutes. Stir un-  
til creamy. Pour onto a buttered pan  
and cut into squares.

**Cocoanut Caramels**—Use above re-  
cipe, and when ready to stir, add one  
cup shredded cocoanut.

**Nut Chocolate Caramels**—Three tea-  
spoonfuls butter, one-half cup milk, two  
cups molasses, three squares chocolate,  
one cup brown sugar, one-half pound  
black walnuts chopped. Cook the same  
as above caramels.

**Old-fashioned Caramels**—One-half  
pound chocolate, one-half pint cream,  
one-half pound sugar, three-quarters  
cup syrup, two teaspoonfuls butter.  
Melt the chocolate, add sugar, cream  
and syrup, and when boiling, add the  
butter. Stir all the while, test in cold  
water, and when it forms a hard ball,  
remove from the fire. Pour into an  
oiled platter to the depth of one-half  
inch. When cool, cut in squares and  
wrap in paraffine paper.

## RUMFORD POINT.

Now the law is on deer, people can  
go into the woods and cut their winter  
fire wood without fear of being  
shot by deer hunters.

J. F. Martin, Forest Ladd, J. H. and  
E. B. Martin and Dwight Elliott are  
cutting and yarding pulp.

Elton Knight is moving into camp  
on Horse Shoe Valley, where he has a  
pulp box.

A. B. Stearns and G. P. Hoyt are  
building a mill near A. B. Hoyt's.

## NORTH NEWRY.

R. W. Kilgore spent Sunday night  
and Monday with his daughter, Mrs.  
J. H. Carter, Jr., at Middle Intervale.

Azel Wilson of Wilson's Mills was a  
guest at R. W. Kilgore's, Friday night.

Miss Carrie Wright came home, Sun-  
day, for the Christmas vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Carter are re-  
ceiving congratulations upon the birth  
of a son, Philip Lawson, born Dec. 14.

B. B. James and family called at  
W. B. Wright's, Sunday.

See the new handkerchiefs at L. M.  
STEARNS'.



When you're buying your  
Christmas presents don't forget  
the Red Cross Seal.  
1,500 have already been sold.  
Help make up the quota.

## Dr. L. Lynn Cutler

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Tuesday, December 28

FROM 9 A. M. TO 4 P. M.

For Consultation and Examination.

## HANOVER.

This community was saddened Sun-  
day morning when word came that  
Mrs. A. T. Powers had passed away at  
McCarthy's hospital at Rumford. Wed-  
nesday afternoon she submitted to an  
operation hoping to better her condi-  
tion but she failed gradually till the  
end came. She will be missed in the  
neighborhood, where she was always  
ready to help in times of sickness or  
trouble.

Miss Lilla Andrews is in town, called  
here by the death of her mother.  
Lester Richardson has gone to Massa-  
chusetts, where he will have employ-  
ment.

Mr. and Mrs. Eli Stearns entertained  
a party at progressive whist, Dec. 8.

C. F. Saunders and Gladys Davis won  
first prizes, Miss Grace Parker and  
Walter Florio second. Refreshments  
were served after which Miss Ethel  
Warren entertained the company with  
several selections on the piano.

Eli Stearns has let his span of work  
horses to Eddie Barker for the winter.

Several from here visited the school  
at Rumford Point, Friday.

Mrs. Rob Thurston was with her sis-  
ter, Mrs. Elson Hammons, the week  
end.

Books in large variety at L. M.  
STEARNS'.

## EAST SUMNER.

Friends and neighbors to the number  
of about one hundred met at the Grange  
Hall, Friday evening, Dec. 17, to give  
a surprise party to Mr. and Mrs. J. H.  
Bonney on their twenty-fifth wedding  
anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Bonney  
were invited to spend the evening with  
a friend and later invited to the hall  
where their friends were assembled.

They were assisted in receiving by Mr.  
and Mrs. T. B. W. Stearns, Mr. and  
Mrs. F. W. Keene, and Mr. and Mrs.  
H. W. Cobb, after which all listened to  
instrumental music and solos by E. B.  
H. Stearns, an original poem by Mrs.  
Eastman, duet by Mrs. Cobb and Mrs.  
Stearns, recitations by W. H. Eastman  
and Horton Buck, R. O. Stephens, then  
in behalf of friends, presented them  
with a generous sum of money in sil-  
ver. Then all repaired to the dining  
room where assorted cakes and delicious  
ice cream was served by the young  
ladies present. This was followed by  
a sociable, old and young participating,  
until a late hour. Mr. and Mrs. Bon-  
ney are highly respected in this town,  
where they were born and always lived.  
The best wishes of a host of friends  
followed them to their home hoping to  
meet with them on their fiftieth anni-  
versary.

## SUNDAY RIVER.

Harry King was in this place on  
business the first of the week.

Mrs. Howard Bailey and baby, Bruce,  
have gone to Belknap, N. H., where  
Mr. Bailey has employment for the  
winter.

W. M. Kendall hauled a load of  
pressed hay to Fred Kilgore, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Nowlin and two  
children called at J. J. Spence's, Sun-  
day.

Eli Stearns was in this place, Mon-  
day, on business.

Chas. Frost was in this place, Sat-  
urday.

Miss Agnes Frost spent Sunday with  
her sister, Mrs. Harry Williamson.

Ellis Kendall spent Sunday with her  
parents.

Otto Lane is cutting wood for R. L.  
Foster.

W. M. Kendall has a Mr. Cummings  
helping him.

Sewall Walker has a new horse.

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You cannot use anything better for  
your child's cough and cold than Dr.  
King's New Discovery. It is prepared  
from Pine Tar mixed with healing and  
soothing balsams. It does not contain  
anything harmful and is slightly laxa-  
tive, just enough to expel the poisons  
from the system. Dr. King's New Dis-  
covery is antiseptic—kills the cold  
germs—raises the phlegm—loosens the  
cough and soothes the irritation. Don't  
put off treatment. Coughs and Colds  
often lead to serious lung troubles. It  
is also good for adults and the aged.  
Get a bottle to-day. All Druggists.  
Advertisement.

## CANTON.

Miss Alice Briggs of Livermore vis-  
ited friends in town, Wednesday.  
Mrs. Simeon B. Ellis and son, Ansel  
Ellis, took part in the entertainment  
given by the pupils of Miss M. Louise  
Staples at Rumford, Tuesday evening.  
The Ladies' Aid of the United Bapt-  
ist Church met Thursday with Mrs.  
C. C. Rowe.

Swasey Wadlin is at home from Ho-  
bron Academy for the holidays.

Miss Nina Russell, Miss Ethel Rus-  
sell and Ned Russell are spending the  
holidays with their parents, Mr. and  
Mrs. A. F. Russell.

Geo. L. Wadlin has been in Portland  
the past week, serving on the jury at  
the U. S. District Court.

Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Forhan are vis-  
iting in Portland and No. Billerica,  
Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Towle entertained  
at a Christmas dinner, Sunday, Mr.  
and Mrs. R. G. House and children,  
Howard Hansen and family and Mrs.  
Eliza Burnham of North Turner and  
Mrs. Walter Wood of Auburn.

The horse of B. C. Waite ran away  
Sunday forenoon at Gilebertville, smash-  
ing the sleigh badly, but Mr. Waite  
escaped serious injury. The horse was  
caught by J. S. Barker.

Mrs. Eliza Ford of Hartford has re-  
ceived word of an accident to her  
grandson, Carl Ford, who was serious-  
ly injured in the head during a foot-  
ball game at college. Mr. Ford is the  
son of Frank Ford, formerly of Hart-  
ford. He was about to graduate from  
college. His home is in Philadelphia.

Miss Mattie Hall of Andover has  
been a guest of Mrs. R. A. Barrows  
and friends at Gilebertville.

Canton Encampment elected officers,  
Friday evening as follows:—O. P., Har-  
old B. Gilbert; II. P., O. M. Richard-  
son; S. W., H. E. Parsons; J. W., Sher-  
man Dillon; Scribe, E. B. Woodward;  
Treasurer, H. A. Sweet.

Mrs. Estelle Bartlett went to Farm-  
ington last week with the little child  
of her daughter, Mrs. Mattie Crocker.  
The child will board for the winter  
with Lulu Spencer.

A fine Christmas entertainment and  
tree laden with gifts was held Friday  
evening at the Gilebertville schoolhouse.  
A large number were in attendance.

A union Christmas tree will be held  
at the United Baptist Church, Friday  
evening.

Mrs. Harriet Reynolds has been vis-  
iting at the home of her nephew, John  
N. Foye, and wife.

Mrs. Grace Whitfield Palmer of Hollis-  
is, who was thrown from an auto re-  
cently, injuring her head, is reported  
to be more comfortable, but it is  
thought she will be obliged to go to  
a hospital for treatment. Mrs. Palmer  
is a granddaughter of Mrs. Lucy A.  
Davis of Canton, where she has visited  
frequently.

Mr. and Mrs. Dwight A. Bisbee are  
attending the State Grange at Port-  
land this week.

Mrs. Winfield Rose of Kennebago is  
a guest of her mother, Mrs. Mary Neal  
and family. She brought a nice deer  
home with her which she shot.

Mrs. Mary Martin has been spend-  
ing a few days with her daughter, Mrs.  
Fred Goding, at Rumford.

Harris Jones is residing at the north  
terminal station in Boston during the  
heavy mail season.

Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Partridge left  
for Norway, Saturday, to spend their  
vacation.

J. L. Gammon has returned from  
his hunting trip with two deer, A. P.  
Hayford two, Morris Bryant two, and  
C. B. Heald one.

Mrs. C. E. Richardson and Miss  
Mary Richardson are at Portland, at-  
tending the State Grange and visiting  
Geo. E. Grover, who is attending Gray's  
Business College.

Evergreen Chapter elected the fol-  
lowing officers last week:—W. M., Mrs.  
Clara Mendall; W. P., John Briggs; A.  
M., Mrs. H. A. Eastman; Sec., Cal-  
houn Mendall; Treasurer, Mrs. A. S. Bick-  
nell; Cond., Miss Florence Childs;  
Asso. Cond., Miss Agnes Heald; Exec-  
utive Committee, Mrs. E. C. Briggs,  
Mrs. Martha Childs and Cyrus T. Bon-  
ney.

Mrs. Mary A. Robinson has returned  
home from an extended visit in Massa-  
chusetts.

Mrs. Arthur Tyler and child have  
been visiting relatives in Weld.

The next meeting of the Universal  
ist Circle will be held with Mrs. A. E.  
Johnson.

George Lavorgna is at home from  
Hebron for the holidays.

Gustavus Hayford, who has been at  
Kennebago the past summer, is spend-  
ing a short time with his daughter,  
Mrs. Geo. H. Johnson, and family.

Miss Ethel Hutchinson has been vis-  
iting her uncle, A. T. Reynolds, and  
wife, of Gardiner.

Ruth Richardson, Ada Bonney and  
Mildred Richardson are at home from  
Leavitt Institute for the holiday vaca-  
tion.

Mrs. John Lavorgna has been spend-  
ing a few days with her husband at  
Bethel.

Frank Elroy Bicknell, one of Can-  
ton's esteemed citizens, passed away

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limited in purse, this store holds out most  
unusual opportunities.

We give real values without the heavy tax  
of charging all that those values will stand.

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chandise, with prices steadily advancing, but  
but you may find at our stores everything  
that's good in SUITS, OVERCOATS, MAC-  
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## OXFORD.

Wednesday after a lingering illness of  
diabetes. Mr. Bicknell was born in  
Canton and was 83 years of age. He  
was the eldest son of the late Simeon  
Bicknell and Alvin Hayford Bicknell,  
and his entire life has been spent in  
Canton. He married Miss Rosella Ellis,  
a daughter of William Ellis and Aman-  
da Jones Ellis, who survives him. They  
had one child, Albert S. Bicknell, who  
married Miss Velta Foster and lives in  
Canton. Mr. Bicknell is also survived  
by two sisters, Mrs. C. O. Holt of Lew-  
iston, and Miss A. C. Bicknell of Can-  
ton, and one brother, James W. Bick-  
nell of Canton, and six grandchildren.

The death of Mr. Bicknell occurred  
on the 40th anniversary of his mar-  
riage. He was a worthy member of Anas-  
tagincook Lodge, I. O. O. F., Canton  
Encampment, Canton Grange, Pome-  
nah Rebekah Lodge, and of Whitney Lodge,  
P. & A. M. The funeral was held at  
the home Sunday at 12 o'clock, Rev.  
E. W. Swift officiating. Preceding the  
funeral a delegation from Anasagin-  
cook Lodge and Pomepah Rebekah  
Lodge marched to the home in a body  
to take a last farewell of their brother  
and friend. The floral tributes were  
in abundance and included pieces from  
Canton Encampment, Anasagincook  
Lodge, Pomepah Rebekah Lodge, Whit-  
ney Lodge, P. & A. M., Canton Grange,  
and Byron Greenough Co., of Portland.

The bearers were J. C. Bicknell, Virgil  
Fletcher, Cleon Fletcher and P. C.  
Hannly. Interment was at Pine Woods  
Cemetery. Among those from out of  
town who attended the funeral were:  
Mrs. Edwin Thompson of Auburn, Mrs.  
Ester Reed of Livermore Falls and  
Joseph O'Neil of Portland.

At the annual session of the Grand  
Division of Maine held in Portland,  
Saturday, Mrs. Kate Starbird was  
elected grand worthy associate, Mrs.  
Georgia Cash, grand scribe, George J.  
Parrott, grand treasurer and Rev. Mal-  
colm MacKay, grand chaplain.

The Methodist Sunday school will  
observe Christmas with an entertain-  
ment and tree on Saturday evening.  
The Congregational Christmas enter-  
tainment and tree will be held in the  
church, Friday evening.

The Oxford schools have closed for  
the Christmas vacation.

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1916.

HOW TO RAISE POTATOES IN  
1916 WITHOUT POTASH.The following was made public re-  
cently by Charles D. Woods, director of  
the Maine Agricultural Experiment  
Station at the University of Maine:

Potatoes are the chief cash crop  
grown in Maine. It is of first impor-  
tance for the grower to have what facts  
are available relative to the likelihood  
of obtaining a crop of 1916 without the  
application of potash. Foreseeing the  
possibility that the fertilizers in 1916  
would contain very little, if any, potash,  
the Maine Agricultural Experiment  
Station began in 1915 at Arrostook  
Farm a series of experiments to  
determine the effect of different  
amounts of potash. Four different mix-  
tures were used. In each case the fertil-  
izer contained 4 per cent of nitrogen  
(5 per cent of ammonia), of which one-  
third was in the form of nitrate of so-  
da, and 8 per cent of available phos-  
phoric acid. The potash varied as fol-  
lows: On one plot there was none, on  
another 2 per cent, on another 5 per  
cent and on another 8 per cent. The  
plots were one-half acre each and they  
were planted in duplicate. The land  
had been in grass for two years, one  
year in oats and the year before that  
had been in potatoes. No fertilizer had  
been used since the potato crop of 1911.  
In each case the fertilizer was applied  
at the time of planting, at the rate of  
1500 pounds per acre. Other than the  
amount of potash used, all the plots  
were treated exactly alike.

Throughout the growing season the  
vines on both the no potash plots were  
a distinctly brighter green and had a  
thicker look than on the adjoining  
plots. The difference was so marked  
that it attracted much attention from  
visitors at the farm. Although some  
slight irregularities occurred in the  
yield from the different plots, the aver-  
age figures show fairly consistent in-  
creases with the increase in potash.  
The plots without potash yielded 110  
bushels or 302 bushels of merchantable  
potatoes. The plots with 2 and 5 per  
cent potash gave practically the same  
yields of 116 bushels or 320 bushels per  
acre. The 8 per cent potash plots aver-  
aged to yield 120 bushels or 321 bushels  
per acre. This is an increase of 10  
bushels from the 2 per cent plots over  
the no potash plots. This amount is  
undoubtedly large enough to be sig-  
nificant and to indicate that the potash  
increases the yield of potatoes in  
Arrostook County. On the other hand,  
110 bushels (302 bushels) per acre is a  
good yield—considerably above the av-  
erage and nearly double the average  
in the county in 1915. So far as the re-  
sults of this one year are concerned,  
they indicate that a profitable yield of  
potatoes can be obtained on Arrostook  
soils without the addition of potash  
for at least one year. In a few farmers  
trials made by the various fertilizer  
companies, in which no exact records  
were made, satisfactory results were  
obtained without the use of potash by  
all of the growers from whom the Sta-  
tion has heard. Quite a number of  
farmers tested mixtures containing  
varying amounts of nitrogen, phos-  
phoric acid and without potash. The  
consensus of opinion seems to be that  
a 5 per cent ammonia and 10 per cent  
phosphoric acid gave on the whole the  
best yields. Based upon the reports of  
these trials, a good many of the fer-  
tilizer companies are increasing the  
amount of phosphoric acid the present  
year. Fertilizers that normally car-  
ried 8 per cent will in 1916 carry 10  
per cent available phosphoric acid. To  
the writer this increase in phosphoric  
acid does not seem to be necessary.

Outside of the special fertilizer ex-  
perimental plots at Arrostook Farm and  
at Highmore Farm the fertilizer to be  
used in 1916 will carry 5 per cent  
ammonia (with one-third of the nitro-  
gen in the form of nitrate of soda), 8  
per cent available phosphoric acid, and  
no potash.

Experiments at Massachusetts, how-  
ever, indicate that available phosphoric  
acid hastens the development of the  
plants at the beginning of the season  
and that would seem to be borne out  
where the farmers' experiences eluded above  
where they had compared 10 per cent  
available phosphoric acid against 8 per  
cent available phosphoric acid. The  
fertilizer companies state that the dif-  
ference is cost between a fertilizer car-  
rying 5 per cent and one carrying 10  
per cent available phosphoric acid in  
1916 will not exceed \$1.00 per ton. It  
may be that this added phosphoric acid  
may be found profitable. Based on the  
1915 results at Arrostook Farm it  
would not pay any man to buy potash

## Catarrh Cannot Be Cured

with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they  
cannot reach the seat of the disease. Cat-  
arrh is a blood or constitutional disease,  
and in order to cure it you must take in-  
ternal remedies. Hall's Catarrh Cure is  
taken internally, and acts directly upon  
the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's  
Catarrh Cure is not a quick medicine. It  
is prescribed by one of the best phy-  
sicians in this country for years and is  
a regular prescription. It is composed of  
the best tonics known, combined with the  
best blood purifiers, acting directly on the  
mucous surfaces. The perfect combina-  
tion of the two ingredients is what pro-  
duces such wonderful results in curing  
catarrh. Send for testimonials, free.  
J. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O.  
Sold by Druggists, price 75c.  
Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

at the present price of \$5 per unit, even  
if it could be obtained. The increase  
of 10 barrels of potatoes per acre where  
8 per cent of potash was used over  
where none was used was worth at  
harvest about \$15. Eight per cent pot-  
ash, if it could be had, would cost not  
less than \$20 per acre for 1500 pounds  
of fertilizer, which is twice the value  
of the increased crop.

For potash liberators the evidence is  
preponderant in favor of nitrate of so-  
da. There is little evidence that com-  
mon salt free from any perceptible amount  
of potash which will become available  
to the potato crop. Gypsum (calcium  
sulphate) probably will help render  
the potash available. A fertilizer car-  
rying 5 per cent of ammonia, in which  
one-third of the nitrogen is in the form  
of nitrate of soda, and carrying 8 or 10  
per cent of available phosphoric acid,  
will have theoretically enough sodium  
from the sodium nitrate and calcium  
from the calcium sulphate (gypsum),  
to liberate enough potash for a maxi-  
mum crop of potatoes.

The Station, therefore, advises the  
use of 1500 to 2000 pounds of a fertiliz-  
er carrying 5 per cent of ammonia  
with one-third of the nitrogen in the  
form of nitrate of soda and 8 per cent  
or even 10 per cent of available phos-  
phoric acid and no potash for 1916.  
With people who have been getting  
good results from a fertilizer carrying  
4 per cent of ammonia a 4-10-0 fertiliz-  
er would probably prove satisfactory.

## ROADS ON THE FARM.

Should Be Located With Reference to  
Efficiency of Farm Plant—Construc-  
tion and Maintenance.

The private roads on the farm differ  
in general from the public roads only  
in the amount and kind of traffic which  
they carry. The fundamental principles  
involved in their construction and  
maintenance are the same. But, as the  
farm road is called on to bear far less  
traffic, the ordinary methods of con-  
struction and maintenance are so mod-  
ified and the use of materials so adapted  
as to meet the special requirements  
and reduce the cost. To build the farm  
roads in the same manner as public  
thoroughfares, which carry much great-  
er traffic, in general would be a useless  
waste of money.

The first consideration is the location  
of the roads and paths about the farm.  
The roads and paths are a part of the  
permanent farm plant. Consequently  
they should be so located as to best  
serve the purpose for which they are  
intended, should sit it with the general  
scheme of the farm, and at the same  
time should avoid as much as possible  
places which would require difficult and  
expensive construction or maintenance.  
The main consideration, however, must  
be to secure the highest degree of ef-  
ficiency from the farm plant as a whole.

The earth road is the most common  
type of farm road and will probably  
so remain. When properly crowned,  
drained, and maintained with the split-  
log drag or other similar device, the  
earth road, on all but a few exceptional  
soils or in a few places immediately  
around the farm lots and buildings,  
can be made to answer the require-  
ments fairly well. A little grading  
will in general give the earth road a  
crown sloping from the center toward  
the side ditches at a rate of about 1  
inch to the foot, and side ditches of  
sufficient area to carry away the storm  
water can usually be constructed with-  
out difficulty. If the ground is springy  
the side ditches may be made deeper,  
or the ground water may be carried  
away by tile drains.

The fundamental requirement of an  
earth road is always good drainage.  
This involves, first, the removal of the  
water which reaches the surface of the  
road from precipitation or otherwise;  
and second, in certain places the re-  
moval of any ground water which  
reaches the road from underground  
seepage. Surface drainage is accom-  
plished by securing a reasonably firm  
crowned roadway and providing ditch-  
es of sufficient size and with ample  
grade and frequent outlets. Sub-drain-  
age to remove the water from beneath  
the road surface or to prevent its pas-  
sage into the roadbed is usually accom-  
plished most effectively by so-called  
blind drains or by means of properly  
located tile drains.

Roads and drives immediately around  
the farm yards and barns which are  
used very frequently are usually of  
sufficient importance to warrant some  
surface improvement. Very light or  
extremely sandy soils cut up badly in  
dry weather, while certain heavy and

absorbent soils become very sticky and  
soft during the rainy season. Where  
any considerable amount of hauling is  
necessary, roads over soils of this char-  
acter may require to be surfaced.

Many of the materials ordinarily em-  
ployed in road construction will be  
found too expensive for use in improv-  
ing the farm roads. One or more of  
the following will, however, usually be  
found available and within the means  
of the farmer for surfacing his roads  
and paths: Gravel, mixture of sand and  
clay, chert, brickbats from old build-  
ings, brick-yard waste, and quarry  
waste. The material selected should,  
however, be hard enough to withstand  
crushing under heavy loads and pos-  
sess sufficient binding power to com-  
pact well and maintain a firm, hard  
surface under all ordinary weather con-  
ditions.

Drainage and a good foundation are  
the first considerations in improving  
a road with a hard surface. The best  
possible foundation is a good earth  
road with a low crown. Earth should  
be graded upon each side to pre-  
vent the surfacing material from  
spreading, as in the construction of  
an ordinary macadam road. The ma-  
terial used for surfacing should be  
placed in a uniform layer or layers on  
this foundation and should be given a  
sufficient crown to shed the rain waters  
to the sides. If a road roller can be  
secured the material may be quickly  
consolidated, otherwise considerable  
time will be required for it to be con-  
solidated by the traffic. During this  
process the road should receive fre-  
quent attention with a split-log drag  
or other means for smoothing the sur-  
face and filling the ruts. On steep  
grades where there would be a ten-  
dency for the side ditches to wash,  
this can usually be overcome by  
providing outlets and getting the water  
away from the road before it accumu-  
lates in large volume. On roads where  
wagons will not be required to pass  
each other, a width of from 8 to 12  
feet between ditches will usually be  
sufficient. The surfaced portion need  
rarely exceed 7 or 8 feet. There is no  
particular virtue in building a farm  
road wider than is necessary to answer  
the special traffic requirements.

The need or desirability of moving occa-  
sionally extra wide or heavy imple-  
ments, over the roads should, however,  
not be lost sight of. A little foresight  
in the alignment of ditches, in provid-  
ing ample width of gates, or of giving  
extra strength to culverts, may save a  
great deal of both annoyances and de-  
lay during some very busy period.

For surfacing footpaths, gravel, mix-  
tures of sand and clay, and chert, and  
in general, give good satisfaction.  
In surfacing a path with any of these  
materials it is well to have in mind  
that the service the path is to perform  
is to provide a firm, smooth, and dry  
surface for pedestrians. To provide a  
firm surface the material selected must  
bond well under all conditions of  
weather, and to remain smooth and dry  
a reasonably unyielding foundation  
should be provided and the drainage  
must be good. Too often the mistake  
is made of building the path so low  
that it becomes a drainage channel in  
wet weather. The path should always  
be slightly above the surface of the  
ground, or else gutters of sufficient size  
to carry the water should be provid-  
ed. Concrete makes a most excellent  
walk and is now widely used for this  
purpose. Full details as to mixing and  
placing concrete for walks and other  
uses on the farm are given in Farmers'  
Bulletin No. 461, "The Use of Concrete  
on the Farm," which may be had free  
from the Department of Agriculture,  
Washington, D. C.

## WILL IT PAY?

Many Maine people are undoubtedly  
asking themselves this question, "Will  
it pay me to attend one or more of the  
Short Winter Courses in Dairying, Gen-  
eral Agriculture including crops, fer-  
tilizers and farm management, Horti-  
culture and Poultry Management which  
will be given at the College of Agri-  
culture during January and Febru-  
ary?"

This question has been answered in  
the affirmative over and over again by  
the practical results following the com-  
pletion of one of these courses and al-  
so by the letters of commendation re-  
ceived from former students, hence the  
writer has no hesitation in saying,  
"Yes, it will pay."

First, no tuition or registration fees  
are charged. The only expenses in-  
curred are railroad fare, room and  
board.

Second, the courses are planned to be  
extremely practical and deal with the  
real problems and practices of farm-  
ing included within the scope of the  
course.

Third, the forenoons are given over  
to class room work and the afternoons  
are devoted to actual practice work.  
The general plan of "learning by do-  
ing" is thus combined with the spec-  
ial and very definite instruction of the  
"class room."

There has probably never been a  
time when on account of the fertilizer  
and other questions the problems of  
farming have been more acute than  
they are now.

"Yes, it will pay to attend the Short  
Winter Courses this year."

These courses are attended by both  
men and women. Each year young  
men of 18 to 20, middle aged men of 50  
to 60 as well as those of all ages be-  
tween are in attendance. You will find  
congenial, earnest, enthusiastic people  
in attendance.

Special evening lectures by persons  
who are making a life study of farm  
problems will be given. Conferences  
for the discussion of matters of inter-  
est to every farm man or woman by  
the students in attendance will be held.  
"It will pay."

The courses in Dairying and Gen-  
eral Agriculture will begin on the first  
Monday evening in January and con-  
tinue for four weeks. The work given  
in these two courses are so arranged  
that persons attending one course  
may take all the work offered in the  
other course during the forenoon, the  
work in the afternoon being "practice  
work" is entirely different.

The courses in Horticulture and Poul-  
try Management will begin on the first  
Monday evening in February and hold  
for three weeks. These courses are ar-  
ranged so that a person in attendance  
on one course may during the forenoon  
take a few of the more important parts  
of the other course. The afternoons  
are devoted to practice work and are  
therefore limited to persons registered  
in the courses.

A circular description of these course-  
s are being prepared and will be for-  
warded to all persons interested. Full  
information concerning expenses, di-  
rections for reaching Orono, registra-  
tion, etc., is given in this circular. Any  
one interested should write College of  
Agriculture, Orono, Maine. Register  
early as it is desirable for the Dean of  
the College to know as early as pos-  
sible the approximate registration in  
order that plans may be fully made  
for taking care of those who plan to  
attend. "Will it pay?" The writer  
unhesitatingly says "Yes."

LEON S. MERRILL,

Dean, College of Agriculture.

## HOW TO PACK POULTRY.

Specialists Recommend Methods of  
Handling Poultry Under Adverse  
Weather Conditions.

Poultry packers are urged by the  
specialists of the Department of Agri-  
culture at Washington, D. C., to give  
utmost attention to preparing and  
packing their birds for shipment, par-  
ticularly if the mild weather, which  
has been widely prevalent this autumn,  
continues. The poultry specialists say  
that the weather conditions in many sec-  
tions have been very similar to those  
which prevailed in the autumn of 1913  
and which, as poultry shippers will re-  
member, proved disastrous to all pack-  
ers who did not dress, chill, and pack  
properly.

The specialists, therefore, recommend  
the particular observance of the follow-  
ing methods of handling dressed poultry,  
which are essential to a perfect pro-  
duct at any time and are of vital im-  
portance whenever weather conditions  
are unfavorable:

## Methods of Handling Dressed Poultry.

1. Keep the holding batteries for  
your incoming stock clean, well aired,  
and free from vermin, and see that the  
chickens have plenty of fresh water  
and plenty to eat.

2. Don't kill a chicken when the  
crop is full of feed. Give the chicken  
only water for 24 hours before it is  
killed. Food in the crop or in the in-  
testines of a dressed chicken causes loss  
of flavor and hastens decay, which more  
than offsets any gain from extra weight.

3. Good bleeding is absolutely essen-  
tial to a good appearance on the mar-  
ket and retards decay. Circular 61, Bu-  
reau of Chemistry, Department of Agri-  
culture, explains the best methods of  
bleeding and loosening the feather  
muscles for dry picking.

4. Hang the chicken by both feet  
while picking. Hanging by one leg  
spoils the shape of the bird. Picking  
on the lap gets the skin dirty and has-  
tens decay.

5. Dry pick if possible. Scalding is  
particularly undesirable because it has-  
tens decay.

6. Chill every dressed bird until the  
body temperature is below 35 degrees  
F. Never pack or ship an imperfectly  
chilled bird. More decay is due to im-  
perfect chilling than to any other single  
factor in dressing. Dry chill, if possible.  
Chickens cooled in water lose flavor, de-  
cay sooner, will not cold-store as sat-  
isfactorily as dry-chilled, and are in ev-  
ery way more undesirable on the mar-  
ket. Refrigerator cars will carry well-  
chilled goods in good condition, but  
they can not chill warm goods to a suf-  
ficiently low temperature.

7. Pack in boxes or small kegs when-  
ever possible. A large barrel makes an  
undesirable package, because where  
poultry is packed in large masses the  
weight of the upper layers crushes the  
birds at the bottom.

8. Line all packages with parchment  
paper and cover the top of the poultry  
before the lid is put on.

9. Wrap every head in suitable pa-  
per so that blood from one bird will  
not mar the appearance of another.

10. Use only good refrigerator cars  
and see that they are in good order.

Ice and salt the car 24 hours before  
loading. The car, at the end of 24  
hours, should show a temperature be-  
low 40 degrees F. at a point 4 feet above  
the floor and between the doors.

General Suggestions.  
Never handle chickens roughly, either  
before or after killing. Rough hand-  
ling causes bruises, broken bones, scar-  
red skins, and soft places in the flesh.  
Undue haste on the part of the killers  
and pickers results in lowered keeping  
quality and poor appearance of the pro-  
duct.

Piecework, which leads to quantity  
rather than quality, makes for lower  
prices on the market. Those who pay  
by the piece should remember that they  
sell by the quality of the piece.  
These directions will apply with  
equal force to turkeys intended for the  
holiday market.

## GREEN FEED IN WINTER.

Fowlman Should Have a Supply to  
Last Through the Season, if Birds  
Are Kept in Good Condition.

Green feeds for poultry contain on-  
ly a small percentage of actual food  
nutrients, but are important because of  
their succulence and bulk, which light-  
en the grain rations and assist in keep-  
ing the birds in good condition. The  
poultryman should secure a suf-  
ficient supply of such feeds to last  
through the winter months in sections  
where growing green feeds can not be  
obtained. When chickens are fattened  
without the use of milk, green feed  
helps to keep them in good condition.

Cabbages, mangold wurzels, clover,  
alfalfa, and sprouted oats are the green  
feeds commonly used during the win-  
ter. Cabbages do not keep as well in  
ordinary cellars as mangold wurzels, so  
where both of these feeds are avail-  
able the cabbages are fed first. They  
are often suspended, while the mangold  
wurzels are split and stuck on a nail  
on the wall of the pen. Clover and al-  
falfa may be fed as hay, cut into one-  
half to 1 inch lengths, or may be  
bought in the form of meal. Alfalfa  
meal has a feeding analysis equal to  
bran, but is not as digestible, on ac-  
count of its larger percentage of fiber.  
Clover and alfalfa should be cut while  
slightly immature, if they are to be  
used and fed to poultry. The leaves  
and chaff from such hay are especial-  
ly adapted for poultry feeding.

Sprouted oats make a very good  
green feed and are used quite exten-  
sively in this country. The oats can  
be soaked for 12 hours in warm water  
and then spread out in a layer of from  
one-half to 1 1/2 inches deep on a floor,  
or in a tray or tier of flats, which have  
openings or holes or a three-sixteenths  
(3-16) inch mesh wire bottom, so that  
the water drains freely. They may be  
stirred daily and sprinkled, or allowed  
to sprout without stirring, until ready  
for feeding. They are usually fed when  
the sprouts are from 1 to 1 1/2 inches  
long, although some poultrymen prefer  
to allow the sprouts to grow to 2 or 3  
inches long. Oats need a moist and  
warm atmosphere in which to sprout  
quickly, so that it is necessary to fur-  
nish heat or to keep them in a warm  
room during the winter, while they  
may be sprouted out of doors during  
the rest of the year. It takes from 6  
to 10 days to sprout oats, depending  
on the temperature of the room. Oats  
frequently become moldy while sprout-  
ing. To prevent this, they may be treat-  
ed with formalin, using 1 pint of for-  
malin to 30 gallons of water, which is  
sprinkled over and thoroughly mixed  
with 30 bushels of oats. Cover the oats  
with a blanket for 24 hours; then stir  
until they are dry. Keep them in a sack  
which has also been soaked in formal-  
in. Oats thus treated and dried may  
be held for a long time for sprouting.

Where the double-yard system of  
confining poultry is used, one of the  
yards is kept in green feed, into which  
the hens are turned when the crop at-  
tains a height of 4 or 5 inches. This  
method of alternately yarding poultry  
furnishes green feed for the birds and  
at the same time freshens the yard.  
Rape, wheat, rye, oats, and barley are  
usually sown for this purpose. Rye is  
good for late fall and early spring  
feeding, as it will live through the win-  
ter in most sections. Oats, wheat, and  
barley are used throughout the spring,  
summer, and early fall. Several of  
these grains may be sown together to  
secure a greater variety of green feed,  
and any quick-growing grains may be  
used for this purpose.

## MARSHALL DISTRICT.

Mr. Fred Haseltine of North Water-  
ford was at Isiah Haseltine's and  
Geo. Briggs' recently, on business.

Leater Swan was a caller at Locke's  
Mills last Sunday.

The Misses Nina Briggs and An-  
neling are at their homes for the  
Christmas recess.

Miss Allen Adams will spend Christ-  
mas at her home in Stoneham.

Mr. Eben Barker has moved his  
family into his new camp near where  
they were burned out recently.

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habits that they become motionless in  
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**SIGN LANGUAGE OF  
THE RED MEN.**

Some one has written for the Youth's  
Companion descriptions of the various  
signs used among the American In-  
dians, who often say things in this  
way rather than by words. Some of  
these signs are as follows:

Greeting—Push the closed right  
hand, with the index finger extended,  
diagonally upward past the chin and  
the mouth.

Come to me, or Hurry up!—Extend  
the right arm horizontally, with the  
fingers pointing downward, and rap-  
idly open and close the fingers sever-  
al times.

Attention or question—Hold the right  
hand, palm outward, with the fingers  
and the thumb separated, wail out in  
front of the body, at the height of the  
shoulder. This sign is often used to be-  
gin a conversation.

I understand—Throw the right fore-  
arm out in front of the body, with the  
fingers closed, except the index finger,  
which is curved and drawn back. This  
sign is used occasionally while another  
person is talking. It indicates that you  
grasp or draw something toward you.  
If you do not understand a given sign,  
indicate it by the gesture for a ques-  
tion.

Where are you going?—Throw out the  
closed right hand with the index fin-  
ger extended, and make dots in the air  
with the point of the index finger.

I or me—Touch the breast with the  
right index finger.

Brave or strong—Hold the arm  
closed left hand in front of the body,  
toward the right; bring the closed  
right hand above and a little in front  
of the left, and strike downward. This  
gesture, vigorously made, intensifies  
any previous statement or description.

Alone—Hold up the index finger.

On horseback—Place the first finger  
and the second finger of the right  
hand astride the left index finger,  
with all other fingers closed. The mo-  
tion of galloping may be made, or a  
fall imitated, if desired.

Tent—Bring both hands together  
with the tips of the fingers touching,  
to form a cone.

House—Interlock the fingers of both  
hands, and hold them at right angles.  
Camp—Make the sign for tent, then  
form a circle with both arms and  
hands in front of the body.

City or village—Make the sign for  
house, then the camp sign. If you wish  
to say that you are going into camp, or  
to tell the story of a journey, make  
the sign for sleep, and hold up as many  
fingers as the number of nights spent  
or to be spent.

Sleep—Incline the head to the right,  
and rest it on the right palm.

Time of day—Indicate the position  
of the sun.

Brother or cousin—Touch the tips  
of the first and the second fingers to  
the lips.

Sister—The sign for brother, fol-  
lowed by that for woman.

Woman (long hair)—Bring the palms  
of both hands with a sweeping gesture  
down the sides of the head, the shoul-  
ders and the bosom.

Give me—Hold the open right hand,  
palm upward, out in front of the body;  
close it, and draw it inward.

Peace—Clasp the hands in front of  
the body.

## RUMFORD

The churches of Rumford are  
to observe Sunday, Jan.

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every possible way the value  
church life of the community  
emphasized. The churches co-  
operate: Rumford Methodist,  
and Universalist churches,  
and the Virginia A  
chapel.

The annual meeting of the  
Governors of Mechanics Institute  
place on Sunday afternoon in  
additional governors were elec-  
ted.

George A. Virgin will leave  
for St. Petersburg, Florida, to  
will spend the rest of the win-  
ter. Mrs. Virgin, who has been  
the past year.

The assessors have caused a  
be put up at the residential en-  
closure. This has been a ve-  
ry place, especially for  
as a slight shipping would car-<



## RUMFORD

The churches of Rumford and Mexico will observe Sunday, Jan. 2nd, as "Everybody go to Church Sunday," following the plans recommended at the recent Laymen's Missionary Convention in Portland. On this day, efforts will be made to have all the members of the co-operative churches present at both morning and evening services, and by proper announcement an invitation to urge all who are not accustomed to attend church to do so on that day. Special programs will be prepared for the meetings of the day, sermons, and music being appropriate to the day's special purpose, and in every possible way the value of the church life of the community will be emphasized. The churches co-operating are the: Rumford Methodist, Baptist and Universalist churches, and the Mexico Congregational and Baptist churches, also the Virginia Memorial chapel.

The annual meeting of the Board of Governors of Mechanics Institute took place on Sunday afternoon last. Five additional governors were elected. George A. Virgin will leave shortly for St. Petersburg, Florida, where he will spend the rest of the winter with Mrs. Virgin, who has been there for the past year.

The assessors have caused a fence to be put up at the residential end of the footbridge. This has been a very dangerous place, especially for children, as a slight slipping would carry them down the steep embankment into the river.

Miss Gladys Maxwell of Frederickton, N. B., will be the house guest of her aunt, Mrs. Catherine McKenzie, of Knox street, for the Christmas holidays.

A small building is being built near the Lincoln avenue railroad crossing, to be used as a shop for making blinds. Two employees in one of the paper mills are said to be the promoters of the new industry.

Mr. Mulligan has moved from one of the brick houses on Hancock street into his new home on the same street, near Bartlett's Corner.

A regular meeting of Canton, Rumford, No. 3, Patriarch Militant, was held on Monday evening of this week at Odd Fellows Hall, when Major W. C. Miller of Augusta was present to inspect the Canton.

Miss Lena Parnum is playing the piano at the Majestic Theatre in place of Mr. Frank Wells, who has accepted a similar position at the Greeley Theatre in Portland.

The Orino confectionery and fruit store at the corner of Waldo street and Oxford avenue, has been closed. A few months ago, Mr. Orino sold the business to Fred Martin. As Mr. Martin broke the terms of the sale by non-payment of the money agreed upon, Mr. Orino had a sheriff's lock placed on the door.

Miss Louise Blabie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Blabie, has arrived home from LaSalle Seminary, Auburn, Mass., to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, at their home on Lincoln avenue.

Dr. Mary Faulk is spending two weeks at her home in Hudson, N. Y. The Rumford Falls Trust Co. sent out four hundred and sixty-five Christmas savings checks, last week, amounting to \$15,478.08 to persons who joined the Christmas Savings Club last year. The Rumford Falls Trust Co. introduced the Christmas saving scheme in Oxford County, and that this method of saving has been firmly established in Rumford, is demonstrated by the increased number joining the 1916 club.

William Cyr has been appointed deputy sheriff by High Sheriff Frothingham, to succeed Everett M. Bessey, who recently resigned.

Manager Walters of Cheney Opera House has organized a Paramount Concert Orchestra which will give a series of concerts in the theatre. Receiving many favorable comments from the public, on the excellence of the orchestra during the presentation of "The Birth of a Nation," Mr. Walters conceived the idea of getting together the best men available to give the music lovers a series of concerts this winter. The personnel of the organization is as follows: Bass, Charles Leary; First Violins, Howard Webber and Lewis

## SCHOOL TEACHERS

Teaching is wearing work, and only those teachers who take good care of their health can stand the daily strain of the classroom. The dull eyes, pale cheeks, weary head and unstrung nerves of many teachers show the need of building up the nerve-force, improving the blood and helping the general condition. Have you heard of "L. F. Atwood's Medicine"? It is a very old home remedy, and entirely reliable. You can take it with the assurance that only good effects follow its use. It is not a "cure-all," but a general conditioner which acts on the stomach, liver and bowels, and by purifying these important organs in the body, improves the appetite, purifies the blood, strengthens the nerves and clears the head. Try a bottle and note how soon you feel its beneficial influence.

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Irish, Second Violins, Harry Cohen and Merton Holt; Viola, Thomas French; Flute, John Ryan; Clarinet, Charles Brozman; and William Cyr; Cornet, Archie Felt and Ralph Lockhead; Trombone, Roland Morton; Drums, William Acheson. Walter Rolfe has charge of making the orchestration.

At the Majestic Theatre on Sunday evening last was held a sacred concert, the proceeds going for purchasing Christmas baskets for the poor of Rumford and Mexico. There are quite a number of poor families in the two towns, who will pass a miserable Christmas, under the best that can be done for them, and each little ray of sunshine that can be brought to such people, helps to soften hardships to some extent.

A new policy is to be inaugurated at the Majestic Theatre. This will consist of the Triangle Photoplays, which include D. W. Griffith, Thomas H. Ince and Mack Sennett. Griffith made "The Birth of a Nation." Ince creates the greatest dramas of the West, and Sennett is the creator of the Keystone Comedies and discoverer of Charlie Chaplin.

Rehearsals have commenced on a comic opera to be presented in Rumford under the direction of Prof. Thiele, director of the Rumford Brass Band. Among the participants will be Mrs. Jean Fish, Mrs. James McGee, Chester Chaffin, Bradford Andrews and David Hayes. The latter will take the part of the king. There will be a chorus of sixty or more.

The Methodist Sunday School held its annual Christmas concert on Sunday evening last. A "White Gift" Christmas was planned and a program appropriate to the occasion was arranged. The program was as follows: Hymn, Congregation; Prayer; Tableau, "Three Wise Men"; Presentation of "White Gifts," by the various classes; exercises by the beginners; exercises by the primary department; recitation, Dorothy Wheat; vocal duet, Misses Bessie and Ida Taylor; remarks by Mrs. L. E. Ward and Ralph T. Parker.

Mrs. Swain, wife of Road Commissioner Marshall J. Swain, has suffered a paralytic stroke and Miss Blanche Whyngaught is caring for her.

Dr. and Mrs. John A. Greene of Rumford avenue are regaling congratulations upon the birth of a son, weighing nine pounds, born on Sunday afternoon.

Strathglass Commandery of Rumford, Knights Templar, No. 21, will assemble in its asylum on Saturday, Christmas Day, at noon, and commemorate in true Templar spirit, the birth of Him under whose banner they are enlisted. The call to assemble will be given out for 11 A. M., when a program of entertainment will take place as follows: Prayer by Rev. Allen Brown; music by the Universalist Male Quartette; felicitations from other commanderies; song, Miss Dorothy Linnelly; offering to charity; music by the quartette; song, Miss Linnelly, with violin obligato by Miss Martha Swain; piano solo, "Cathedral Chimes," by Miss Mabel Chase. Toasts will then be responded to, beginning with the toast to the Right Emment Sir, Les B. Smith, acting as Grand Master. Responses will be given by Fred O. Walker, James B. Stevenson, E. O. Eaton, Grand King of this District, Waldo Pettengill, deputy grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Maine, and Eliza Pratt. Following the toast, "In memory of our brothers who have joined the silent majority," the male quartette will give a sacred selection; the program closing with a piano solo, "Angels of Night," given by Miss Mabel Chase.

On Friday evening last, George D. Blabie tendered a supper to the members of the Rumford Falls Trust Co.

## WEST PARIS

Friday evening the Universalist, Methodist and Baptist Sunday Schools will unite in Christmas exercises and a tree at the Baptist Church. A very pleasing program is being arranged and a cordial invitation is extended to everybody to come.

Alton Rowell remains critically ill and under the care of a trained nurse. Miss Clara Bacon and Miss Agnes Gray are at home from Farmington Normal School.

Mrs. Frank L. Willis has gone to Kittery to spend the winter with her daughter, Mrs. Jesse S. Rose. Mr. Willis will live in the family of Loren Roberts near his mill, where he is working.

Mrs. Mary E. Briggs has returned from Portland, where she has visited her son, E. S. Briggs, and family.

On Sunday afternoon, Dec. 12, the sons, daughters and grandchildren of E. W. Penley gathered at his home in honor of his 70th birthday. Mr. Penley was indeed surprised and much pleased. He was presented with a gold watch chain from his wife, and a chair from the children, also a large birthday cake lighted with 70 candles, and bearing the dates 1845-1915, which was indeed very attractive. The cake was cut by Mrs. Penley and passed around. Ice cream was served, also cut cakes and saltines. Mr. Penley received about 25 post cards from relatives and friends, and all join in wishing him many nice birthdays and continued good health.

Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Herrick of South Paris, Mr. and Mrs. Walter E. Penley and sons, Albert and Irving, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Smith and son Edwin of Norway, Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Penley and sons, Edward, Robert and Eugene, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Penley and son, Donald, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence L. Ridlon, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Dunham, and Miss Alice Penley, also Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Dunham.

bers of George D. Blabie Camp, No. 66, S. of V., at Hotel Rumford. The private dining room was given up to the occasion, twenty-nine being present. The menu included oyster stew, scalloped oysters, hot rolls, cake, coffee and doughnuts. Following the supper, speeches were made by many present, each one taking for their subject, "National Preparedness." Among the invited guests were: Rev. Mr. Foshay of the Baptist Church, Major Lucian W. Blanchard, Major John Hadley, and Captain Millett. The annual election of officers resulted as follows: Commander, Stanley Blabie; Senior Vice Commander, Spaulding Blabie; Junior Vice Commander, Arthur Johnson; Secretary, Fred W. Davis; Treasurer, L. N. Niles; Camp Council, A. E. Stearns, Earl Spaulding and Fred O. Eaton.

The Oxford Paper Co., following its usual custom of the Christmas season, will remember its employees with the presentation of a turkey and bag of flour to each and every married man or other employee who supports a mother and father. This remembrance will require 600 turkeys and flour in bags to the extent of one carload. This includes also, employees of the Maine Coated Paper Co., of which the Oxford Co. are chief owners. The Oxford Paper Co. committees arranged for Mr. Harris, the manager, will, in conjunction with other charitable organizations, see that no family in town is without a good Christmas dinner. The Elks Club is also interesting itself in the same line of work, that Christmas cheer may be found in all homes of the town.

Thieves broke into the store house of J. A. Garneau on Thursday night last, taking as their principal booty, bags of flour. No tentative clue as to the identity of the thieves has as yet been found, although a gray leather belt, upon which had been stitched a piece of leather of a different kind from the belt, to form a holder for cartridges and other things as well, was found. This holder contained a sheathed knife.

On Friday evening last, Rebekah Lodge of this town observed Past Noble Grand's night. Supper was served at seven o'clock, after which a regular meeting of the Lodge took place. At nine o'clock a short musical program took place, consisting of a piano solo by Miss Mabel Chase, vocal solo by Miss Myrtle Greene, cornet solo by Mr. Archie Felt, and vocal solos by Mrs. Jean Molt Flah.

At this time of the year practically all the heavy work on most farms has been finished, and with the approach of winter horses are more or less idle. Since idle horses give no return in labor performed, the feeding should be as economical as possible, and proper care should be taken of the animals in order that they may be in the best possible condition for work in the early spring.

Horses should not be confined to the barn during the winter on a liberal supply of grain. It is far better to "rough" them through the cold months. They should be given the run

of the yard or lot during the day. This should be provided with a protected shed, one that is thoroughly dry and well provided with bedding. While nature does her part and protects the horse with a heavy coat of hair during the cold months, the shed is necessary in order to afford the necessary shelter and protection against rain, snow, and cold winds. Winter winds come mostly from the north and northwest, and the shed should be so situated and constructed as to give the proper protection from this quarter.

In the feeding of idle horses the high-priced feeds should be avoided in order to keep them in proper condition at the lowest cost. It has been found that idle horses do very well on a winter feed consisting of all the hay, oat straw, cornstalks, or sorghums they will consume, so that little grain is necessary. Idleness also permits of a more thorough mastication of the feed, thus insuring proper digestion.

From six to eight weeks before the spring work is started the horses should be put at light work and started on a small grain ration in order that they may be in proper condition for the work required of them. The grain ration may then be gradually increased until the regular allowance has been reached for the working season.

Growing colts require considerable protein. They should be so fed as to secure proper development and at a minimum cost. Rough feed, such as clean mixed hay, alfalfa, or clover, may be fed along with a mixture of bran, oats, and corn.

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## ANDOVER

Mrs. Abbie Poor left town, Tuesday, for Portland, where she will spend the winter.

Rev. Geo. Graham was in Lewiston, Monday and Tuesday.

Miss Helen Akers, who is teaching at Oxford, is spending the Christmas vacation with her parents, F. E. Akers and wife.

There were moving pictures Wednesday evening in the church.

Arthur Noble was at Locke's Mills, Thursday of last week.

Raymond Curtis, the high school principal, is spending his vacation at his home in Pennaquit.

B. Y. Russell, Winn Young, Alton Maxin and I. B. Andrews returned from a hunting trip to C. Pond, last Thursday, bringing with them five deer. They started to So. Paris, their home, in an automobile, and got as far as South Andover, where they were obliged to leave their auto and hire a team to convey them to the railroad station.

Clarence Bailey has gone to Black Brook with his team to work for Lee Thurston.

Mrs. Bert Hutchins, who has been very ill, is better. A trained nurse from Lewiston is caring for her.

Miss Harriet Thompson, who closed a successful term of school at No. 4, Friday, left town, Saturday, for Brattleboro, Vt., where she will visit a sister.

Mrs. John Caldwell is ill at the home of her son, Gay Caldwell, in Biddeford.

Mrs. Walter Bailey and little daughter, who have been visiting her parents at Norway, are in town for a few days.

Mrs. Dana Noble was quite ill the first of the week.

There will be a Christmas tree at the Grange, Saturday.

Mrs. Olive Dresser, Mrs. Vine Mills and Mrs. Lou Milton were in Rumford, shopping, Tuesday.

Mrs. Oliver Merrill, who has been ill for a number of weeks, remains about the same.

There was an illustrated lecture in the church, Sunday evening, on the "Sources of the Jordan River," with Underwood and Underwood slides.

Miss Gladys Howard, who is teaching at Rumford, is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents at East Andover.

The White Club met Saturday evening at C. A. Rand's. The first prizes were won by Mrs. C. A. Rand and Clayton Syrett. Mr. J. A. Dunning and Mrs. Clayton Swann won the second. Refreshments were served.

Dr. Francis Taylor was in Waterville a few days last week.

Hosea Baker went to Azilemas last week to drive team for Ray Thurston. Bedford Corey from Rangely is scaling lumber for the International Paper Co. and boarding at the Milton House.

Y. A. Thurston has been at his camp at Azilemas the past week.

Archer Poor carried a party to Rumford, Monday, in his auto.

Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Burgess are delegates to the State Grange at Portland this week.

Mr. John Gammons from Providence, R. I., has been the guest of friends in town.

There was an entertainment Friday evening at the No. 4 schoolhouse, consisting of music, recitations, etc.

Nelson Campbell cut his knee quite badly while working in the woods at Black Brook.

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Mrs. and Mrs. F. L. Ordway, F. L. Bean, Ernest Morrill, D. W. Cushing, Mrs. Stella Goodridge are in Portland this week to attend the State Grange.

There will be a Christmas tree at the Union Church, Saturday evening.

Miss Rachel Westleigh is very ill at the home of her sister, Mrs. E. B. Mason. Mrs. Lucy Cushing is helping to care for her.

## SONGO POND.

Mrs. Herman Brown spent Friday with her friend, Mrs. Abner Kimball. Jim Holman, with his team, is working for L. N. Kimball and boarding with John Kigoro.

Mr. Robert Gilbert of West Bethel spent Saturday and Sunday with his wife at Trvin Beckler's. Mrs. Gilbert is teaching the Songo school.

Abner Kimball traded horses with Chesley Saunders one day last week. Dr. Walker of Norway was at Abner Kimball's, Monday, to see his horse that is lame.

Mrs. Edward Lapham and Miss Blanche Emery called on their friend, Miss Beatrice Brown, at Geo. Hapgood's, Sunday.

Henry Elliot is working for Carlton Penley, and stopping at Roseco Emery's.

Miss Rona George spent the last of the week at John Kimball's.

## WILSON'S MILLS.

Axel Wilson went to Newry to meet his son, Linwood, who is coming home to spend his vacation.

The Ladies' Aid met Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Roland Ripley. Refreshments of cake, doughnuts and cocoa were served.

E. S. Bennett went to take a man up to Hamlin Bros. camp, Thursday.

Albert Kelly of Errol was in town one day last week.

Aunt Hannah Fickett has been quite sick with pleurisy.

Mrs. Lewis Olson was a Sunday visitor at Mrs. Axel Wilson's.

John Bennett is clerking at the Azilemas House.

Lewis Coy was in town, Sunday, and bought two cows from Mrs. Leslie Hart.

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## AIM OF AGRICULTURAL CLUBS.

The principal objects to be attained through the promotion of boys' agricultural clubs in the South, as defined by those in charge of this work, are:

1. To encourage and train boys along the lines of the activities of country life.

2. To put into practice the facts of scientific agriculture obtained from books, bulletins, etc.

3. To bring the school life of the boy into closer relationship to his home life.

4. To assist in the development of the spirit of cooperation in the family and in the community.

5. To dignify and magnify the vocation of the farmer by demonstrating the returns which may be secured from farming when it is properly conducted.

6. To enlarge the vision of the boy and to give him definite purposes at an important period in his life.

7. To furnish to the aggressive, progressive rural school-teacher an opportunity to vitalize the work of the school by correlating the teaching of agriculture with actual practice.

The aim of the boys' club work is the same as that among men—viz., to secure the adoption of better methods of farming and greater yields at less cost. Many of the boys in the clubs who begin to study agriculture in this way will continue the study in the agricultural colleges; others will continue such efforts on their farms, and all of them will make more useful and more efficient citizens. From the pleasant and profitable experience of owning and managing their small plots, they will develop into independent, intelligent farmers.

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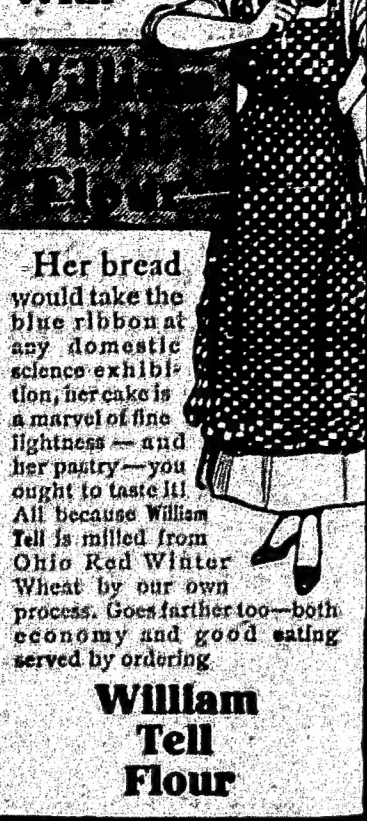
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to make use of it.The Vesper service under the direction  
of B. W. Purinton at the Baptist  
church, Sunday afternoon, was a great  
musical treat. The chorus work was  
especially fine and the solos by Mr.  
Lamb and Mrs. Purinton with violin  
accompaniment by Mr. Richmond were most  
pleasing.The officers of Nixnacet Lodge, I.  
O. O. F., were elected Saturday night  
as follows: Noble Grand, G. H. Record;  
Vice Grand, Oswald E. Walter; Secretary,  
J. E. Warren; treasurer, A. T.  
Cole; trustees, Ezra Keefe, C. S. Childs,  
George A. Holmes.The sale at the Grange Hall, Friday  
afternoon, netted the ladies of the  
Baptist church over forty dollars.  
Dan Emery has bought the George  
Record farm and moved his family  
there Saturday.J. Spaulding is serving on the jury  
of the District Court at Portland.  
Miss Gladys Merrill is the guest of  
Miss Jessie Shaw.Miss Julia Gile is home from Farmington  
for the holidays.  
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for the Christmas recess.  
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**POEMS WORTH  
READING****CHRISTMAS GIFTS.**Christmas love and Christmas cheer  
In our hearts and lives appear,  
Only when like Christ we give  
Of ourselves to all who live.**CHRISTMAS.**"Merry Christmas"—O, what magic  
Is within this joyous greeting!  
It suggests sweet bells and music,  
And the joy of loved ones meeting.  
Life on this one day seems sweeter  
Than it does on any other;  
Love plays gently on the heartstrings  
Of each father, child, and mother.**ONE SANTA CAN'T FIND.**Santa is good to the millionaire kid,  
Picks out his stockings wherever  
they're hid,  
Fills them with airguns and gold-painted  
slugs,  
Horses that rock, with glass eyes in  
their heads,  
Wagons and engines and first base-  
men's gloves,  
Every old thing that every boy loves,  
All's fine and dandy, barring one  
hitch—  
Boys do not get them unless they are  
rich.Though I've been good as any boy's  
been,  
Santa behaves like I was not in;  
Sometimes I hear the crack of his whip  
When he goes by on his Christmas eve  
trip,  
So he can't say I'm not in his track,  
Waiting for only a mite from his pack.  
Shucks!—it's no use. The presents all  
switch  
Elsewhere instead, to a boy who is rich."Capt for the story books full of such  
dope  
Maybe I'd never 'a' had any hope,  
Perhaps I'd never expected a share,  
Forcing a smile if my stocking stayed  
bare,  
While all around me the luckier ones  
Got well remembered, the millionaire's  
sons.  
Wonder if Santa, in doubt which is  
which,  
Means things for me that he takes to  
the rich?"**SANTA CLAUS' SISTER.**We stood at a crowded counter,  
Little Geraldine and I;  
There was only a day before Christmas  
And hundreds were waiting to buy.  
The shelves and the cases were covered,  
And the counters were piled up high  
With the loveliest things for presents  
Ever seen by a mortal eye.There were books with most beautiful  
pictures,  
And the strangest, most wonderful  
toys,  
That were brought from over the ocean  
On purpose for girls and boys.There were dolls that could walk and  
play tennis,  
In dresses of satin and silk;  
And horses to wind and set trotting,  
And a lot of toys you really could milk.There were dogs that could bark like  
the live ones  
And birds of most brilliant wing,  
With sprays hid away 'neath their  
feathers  
That would make them fly upward  
and sing.But the eyes of the child who stood by  
me  
Had wandered away from all these,  
And the sparkling Christmas angels  
And the miniature Christmas trees,  
And were scanning the faces about us—  
The faces that huddled and pressed,  
And looked weary and cross with the  
effort  
Of getting in front of the rest—When, grasping my hand, she whispered,  
With eager, childish grace,  
"Oh! that sweet old Santa Claus' sister,  
She's got such a Christmas face!"I looked where her eyes had lighted,  
And, lo! in a threadbare gown  
Stood a queer, little, bent, old woman,  
With a face that was wrinkled and  
brown.But the eyes that beamed out from it  
Were radiant with love and joy  
As, from "among all the beautiful ob-  
jects,  
She selected one poor, cheap toy.And the worn, brown face was illumined  
With a smile of good-will toward me  
That told, more plainly than words  
might,  
She was keeping Christmas then.I glanced at the faces about me  
There were women in rich attire  
Whose unseeing eyes enabled**She Baked  
Today  
With****William  
Tell  
Flour**

The purchase of each desire.

There were those of delicate feature,  
Of gentle breeding and race,  
But the queer, little, bent, old woman  
Was the only "Christmas face."In shame, from my own I hastened  
To smooth the impatience and frown,  
As I looked at "Santa Claus' sister,"  
"In her faded, threadbare gown."And I blessed both the child and the  
woman,  
For their Christmas sermon sweet,  
As I pressed through the throng of  
shoppers  
And on in the crowded street.  
—Julia Anna Wolcott, in *Congregationalist*.**CARE OF BUSH FRUITS.**Protection from Drying Winds, Snow,  
and Cold Should Be Provided in  
Fall—Pruning Methods.Among the farm operations which  
engage the attention of the small fruit  
grower in the North during late fall,  
winter, and early spring are the pruning  
of the plants and their protection  
from drying winds, snow, and cold.Currants and Gooseberries.  
Both of these fruits have stood with-  
out injury the extremes of low tem-  
perature and drying winds which pre-  
vail in the northern Great Plains re-  
gion. These fruits, therefore, need no  
protection against the cold or winds of  
winter. Sometimes, however, in re-  
gions having a heavy snowfall, branches  
of the currant are broken down by the  
weight of snow and sleet. This  
danger may be easily avoided by draw-  
ing the branches together and tying  
them with coarse string. The tying  
may be done at any time after the  
leaves fall, but it is better to do this  
about the time the ground begins to  
freeze.This period between the falling of  
the leaves in autumn and the starting  
of growth in spring is the season in  
which currants and gooseberries are  
pruned. The ideal currant bush at  
which the pruner should aim has six  
to eight main branches, while the  
gooseberry has eight to twelve. None  
of these branches should be over 3  
years old. Two or three of the main  
branches of the currant and three to  
four main branches of the gooseberry  
should be removed each season, the  
older branches being cut out and a like  
number of the most vigorous canes of  
the current season's growth left to  
take their place. All other young canes  
and all canes bent to or near the ground  
should also be removed. If this sys-tem is followed each year after the  
bushes reach the age of 3 years, prun-  
ing will be relatively simple and the  
plantation kept in good condition.Raspberries and Blackberries.  
Raspberries and blackberries need  
winter protection in many parts of the  
North where low temperatures and dry-  
ing winds prevail, especially where the  
snow covering is light. Certain vari-  
eties need protection, while others en-  
dure the same conditions without in-  
jury. Experience will indicate which  
varieties need this. Where the cold  
and drying winds are severe, as in the  
Great Plains region and in Colorado,  
canes of the tender varieties must be  
covered with soil. This should be done  
as late as possible, yet before the  
ground is frozen. Some of the soil  
should be removed from one side of  
the row either with a hoe or plow, the  
canes inclined to that side until they  
are in a horizontal position and then  
entirely covered with soil to a depth  
of 2 or 3 inches. As the canes of the  
blackberry are more brittle than those  
of the raspberry, they must be bent  
over with greater care. Often in prac-  
tice the canes are bent over so that  
the top is alongside the next hill, some  
soil thrown over the ends of the canes  
in order to hold them down, and the  
remaining parts covered by the use of  
a spade or by throwing a shallow fur-  
row over the canes with a plow. The  
canes should be uncovered in spring  
before the buds start, but not until  
after all danger of hard freezing in  
past. Straw and other similar materi-  
als have sometimes been used to cover  
the canes, but are unsatisfactory, as  
the air circulates through them and  
does not prevent winter injury.When the snowfall is heavy through-  
out the winter, it may cover the canes  
sufficiently to afford all the protection  
that is needed. Sometimes, however,  
in order to be adequately protected by  
the snow, the canes should be bent over.  
They may be held in this position  
by placing a few clods of earth on the  
tips; or sometimes forked sticks are  
used to pin them to the ground. In  
other cases rails or poles are placed  
across the canes to keep them in a re-  
clining position. The tips, which are  
the tenderest part of the canes, should  
be nearest the ground and be best pro-  
tected.Usually no pruning is given either  
the raspberry or blackberry just before  
or during the winter. When the canes  
are to be protected with soil, however,  
all the weaker canes, as well as strong-  
er ones not needed for the crop the  
following season, should be removed.  
This thinning out of the canes will re-  
duce the cost of covering. In the spring  
if the canes of the raspberry are long  
and are not to be supported by stakes  
or a trellis, the ends should be cut  
back. If cut back to a height of 3  
feet, the canes should be able to sup-  
port their crop, keeping the berries out  
of the dirt. Sometimes when the canes  
are slender it will be necessary to cut  
them back to 1 1/2 feet in length. The  
side branches of the blackberries are  
usually pruned back in early spring.  
The length at which the lateral branch-  
es should be left depends on the habit  
of the variety. In some sections and  
with some varieties no pruning at this  
time is necessary, and experience in  
each locality must be the guide as to  
this.Winter Protection of Strawberries.  
In all except the extreme southern  
and western districts the autumn or  
early winter is the season in which  
the strawberry fields should be covered  
with a mulch, partly to protect the  
plants from the continual freezing and  
thawing which occurs in many sections,  
partly to conserve moisture and keep  
down weeds during the following  
spring and during the fruiting season,  
and partly to keep the berries from  
contact with the soil when they ripen.  
This mulch may consist of some kind  
of straw or hay or of stable manure  
containing a large proportion of straw,  
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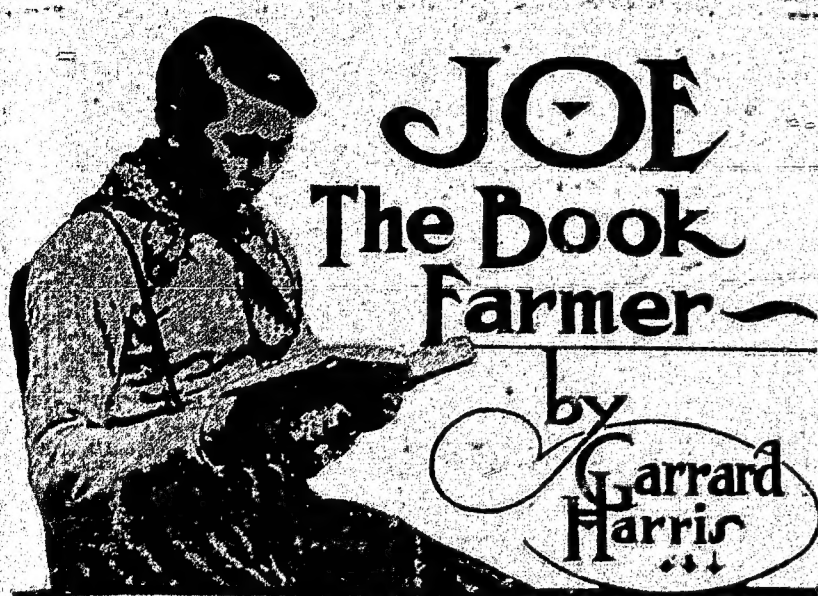
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materials are frequently used for this  
purpose. The mulch should be placed  
on the berry field after the ground  
freezes and before it is covered with  
snow. If a rain follows the spreading  
of the mulch, less trouble will be ex-  
perienced from scattering by the wind.  
The mulch should be spread evenly  
over the whole field. If available, suf-  
ficient material to make the depth of  
the mulch when it settles from 2 to 3  
inches should be used.Stable manure, though frequently  
used, is not always satisfactory. In  
some sections it causes a vigorous leaf  
growth the following spring and actu-  
ally lessens the yield of berries. If  
either the stable manure or the straw  
contains weed seed, it may infect the  
berry field with weeds to an extent  
which decreases the yield and causes  
much expense in cleaning. When stable  
manure is applied, the solid portions  
as far as possible should be put be-  
tween the rows and that part contain-  
ing more straw placed over the row.  
In the spring before the plants start  
growth, sufficient straw should be re-  
moved from the rows to allow the  
plants to grow through the mulch. This  
straw may be thrown into the space  
between the rows. Where the ground  
is woody, it will often be necessary to  
rake the mulch upon the rows of plants  
and cultivate the field. The mulch is  
then retained to the middle between  
the rows of plants to be left until af-  
ter the picking season.**LOOKER'S MILLS.**Clark Jackson of Millon is visiting  
with Mrs. Helen Bryant.C. B. Tebbetts is in Massachusetts  
and Connecticut on a business trip.  
Mrs. Nell Moody was a guest of her  
father at West Paris, Friday.W. B. Isaacs was in Portland, Friday,  
after Christmas goods.Lester Tebbetts visited with his moth-  
er, Mrs. E. L. Tebbetts, at Auburn last  
week.Mr. and Mrs. Charles Farrington  
were away, shopping, Thursday.Mrs. Walter Goodwin and daughter  
of Berlin, N. H., are visiting relatives  
for a few days.  
Curtis Abbott was in Mechanic Falls  
last week and.  
Mrs. G. H. Bartlett and Mrs. W. H.  
Crockett are in Portland this week.  
Eva and Edith Fleke were in Nor-  
way, shopping, Saturday.  
Books in large variety at L. M.  
BETHUNGS.

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"Five crops in one year  
here—it hardly seems possible.  
"It is possible, for it has been  
seen here!" Joe hauled from his  
a clipping from a country, ne-  
ar another part of the state, to  
what a progressive farmer it  
told him. "I found that paper in  
and I lay awake over so long in  
thinking it over after I read about  
man, and it works out all right."  
"That is certainly farming,"  
said the senior partner. "And  
think—most of the people around  
are satisfied to get less than the  
fourth of that amount of produc-  
tion!"  
"That sort of farming doesn't  
pay," said Joe decisively.  
"Or me, either, now I know  
he done. And, by the way, Joe,  
a commercial fertilizer concern-  
ing a prize of \$100 to the boy  
corn club contest in the state  
makes the largest crop with  
tilizer. The state chemist certifi-  
cates the product of that factory is  
standard!"  
"We've got to use some chemi-  
cal, and we might as well  
chance on that prize, too," said  
Joe. "All right; we'll go after it."  
And there's a nitrate of soda  
fertilizer another hundred the farm  
but I don't know much about  
stuff. Do you?"  
"Yes, sir; nitrate is the  
way for plants to get nitro-  
gen in the main element. Just  
the stuff on the ground about  
before it rains and the soil  
it will increase the crop near-  
ly three times. It's fine for cotton, too,  
as it's right along!"  
"I've never seen any of the  
or heard of it being used, and  
back of the woods," said Mr.  
vile.  
"Neither have I. The book  
comes mostly from Chile and  
like common, coarse, dirty salt  
solves quickly in water or by the  
tore of the ground. That is in  
roots get it so soon after it is  
When it strikes the roots that  
just everlasting bushes!"  
"If we go in for all these things  
with out, Joe, it's a pretty big  
money alone on the crop. The  
for the winner in this county, \$1  
the fertilizer and another \$100  
nitrate—\$200—but that is in a  
tion with the entire state!"  
"I'm going to do my level best  
when a fellow does that he'd  
compete with the whole world!"  
"That's the way to look at it,  
there is the state certificate, what  
to Washington!"  
"I certainly want that trip," said  
Joe, "to talk to the head man  
department of agriculture of Wash-  
ington and see what they are de-  
sire to go right to headquarters  
for myself and learn something  
"What are you going to do with  
money if you win it?"  
"Well, half of it is yours, you know.  
"No, indeed, half the crop goes  
mine. The prize belongs to you  
vile."  
"Much obliged, but I thought  
ought to have half!"  
"No; I'll be satisfied with the  
money."  
"That's mighty good of you."  
"The first thing I'm going to do  
buy Annie a nice outfit of cloth-  
ing and her to that agricultural  
school over in Limestone county,  
and learn all about cooking and  
and raising chickens and honey  
dairying, and all that sort of thing  
she can run an up to date farm."  
"That's a splendid idea—our  
girls are even less enlightened  
meat economy than the boys  
farming, as a rule."  
"I want her to have some c  
herself."  
"What else will you do, Joe?"  
"Why, I'll buy mother a new  
then put the rest of the money  
bank at interest. I'll work a  
year and make some more. The  
going to the very best agricul-  
school in the United States and  
year. I'll have the actual expe-  
then and can understand and ap-  
sue what it teaches."  
"That's a pretty extensive pro-  
Anything else?"  
"Yes, sir. I'm coming back here  
buy me a ten acre place and make  
crops pay for it. Then an ac-  
cret on my feet I am going to ac-  
te ten acres every year until I  
the size I want!"  
"That's the kind of talk I  
hear. Farming offers just as  
and more opportunities than be-  
it a man will just apply business  
sides to it. It is the most indepe-  
and happy life in the world."  
"Then every year or so I want  
ed to a good agricultural school  
month or more and do special a-  
keep up with what is going on  
I'll be able after awhile to give  
a good home where the won't b  
work them to death and can't  
take it easy!"





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"Five crops in one year from one acre—It hardly seems possible, Joe?"

"It is possible, for it has been done. See here!" Joe laughed from his pocket a clipping from a country newspaper in another part of the state telling of what a progressive farmer there had done. "I found that paper in the road, and I lay awake ever so long last night thinking it over after I read about that man, and it works out all right."

"That is certainly 'farming some'!" said the senior partner. "And just to think—most of the people around here are satisfied to get less than one-fourth of that amount of produce from their land!"

"That sort of farming doesn't satisfy me," said Joe, decisively.

"Or me, either, now I know what can be done. And, by the way, Joe, there's a commercial fertilizer concern offering a prize of \$100 to the boy in the corn club contest in the state who makes the largest crop with his fertilizer. The state chemist certifies that the product of that factory is up to standard."

"We've got to use some chemical fertilizer, and we might as well take a chance on that prize, too," said Joe.

"All right; we'll go after everything. And there's a nitrate of soda firm offering another hundred the same way, but I don't know much about that stuff. Do you?"

"Yes, sir; nitrate is the quickest way for plants to get nitrogen, and that is the main element. Just scatter the stuff on the ground about corn just before it tassels and the books say it will increase the crop nearly one-third. It's fine for cotton, too—pushes it right along."

"I've never seen any of the nitrate or heard of it being used about this neck of the woods," said Mr. Somerville.

"Neither have I. The book says it comes mostly from Chile and it looks like common, coarse, dirty salt and dissolves quickly in water or by the moisture of the ground. That is how the roots get it so soon after it is applied. When it strikes the roots that plant just everlastingly hustles."

"If we go in for all those things and win out, Joe, it's a pretty big prize in money alone on the corn. There's \$75 for the winner in this county, \$100 for the fertilizer and another \$100 for the nitrate—\$275—but that is in connection with the state state."

"I'm going to do my level best, and when a fellow does that he's as soon done with the whole world as not."

"That's the way to look at it. Then there is the state certificate, with the top to Washington."

"I certainly want that trip," said Joe. "I want to talk to the head man of the department of agriculture of Washington and see what they are doing. I want to go right to headquarters and see for myself and learn something."

"What are you going to do with your money if you win it?"

"Well, half of it is yours, you know."

"No, indeed; half the crop money is mine. The prize belongs to you if you win."

"Much obliged, but I thought you ought to have half."

"No; I'll be satisfied with the crop money."

"That's mighty good of you. Well, sir, the first thing I'm going to do is to buy Annie a nice outfit of clothes and send her to that agricultural high school over in Limestone county, so she can learn all about cooking and sewing and raising chickens and honey and dairying, and all that sort of thing, so she can run an up-to-date farm home."

"That's a splendid idea—our country girls are even less enlightened on domestic economy than the boys are on farming, as a rule."

"I want her to have some chances herself."

"What else will you do, Joe?"

"Why, I'll buy mother a new dress, and put the rest of the money in the bank at interest. I'll work another year and make some more. Then I'm going to the very best agricultural school in the United States and stay a year. I'll have the actual experience then and can understand and appreciate what it teaches."

"That's a pretty extensive program. Anything else?"

"Yes, sir. I'm coming back here and buy me a ten acre place and make the crops pay for it. Then as soon as I get on my feet I am going to add five or ten acres every year until I get it the size I want."

"That's the kind of talk I like to hear. Farming offers just as many and more opportunities than business, if a man will just apply business methods to it. It is the most independent and happiest life in the world."

"Then every year or so I want to go out to a good agricultural school for a month or more and do special study—keep up with what is going on—and I'll be able after awhile to give mother a good horse when she won't have to take it to death and can kind of take it easy."

"You'll do," said the merchant, shaking hands with him as the wagon rolled up to receive the oats and rye. "Goodbye, and you just go ahead and use your judgment."

The fence was built next day, with a substantial lock upon the gate, and Joe carried the key in his pocket.

With the assistance of Link he sowed the rye thickly on three acres and oats on the other. He hired his father's team and harrow, agreeing to pay a dollar for the use of it, and harrowed the grain thoroughly into the finely pulverized soil.

The many spikes or teeth of the harrow had by this time demolished every



"You'll do," said the merchant, shaking hands with him.

cloud, and the surface of the field was level and smooth, with a slight slope to the south, which insured drainage.

Farmers by on the country road began to stop and watch his operations. Most of the farmers grinned indulgently and predicted that nothing would come of all that foolingness. A few of them went to thinking, and without saying anything about it went home and gathered up leaves and trash and barnyard fertilizer and plowed an acre or so deeply, just as a matter of curiosity, to see what would happen. A few others sowed oats or rye just as Joe did.

The rye came up a splendid, thick stand of it. In a few weeks it had spread, forming a solid mat of luscious green. Hungry dogs prowled eagerly around the happiest fence; hungry crows looked and longed and howled disconsolately, for it was near Christmas time, and there was no green pasture available for the poor creatures, and dead grass is not very satisfactory.

Jim Sullivan stopped his team in the road one day and gazed admiringly in the field.

"Oat a fine stand that Joe!" he called.

"Pretty good—yes, sir."

"What'll you charge me to let me graze these here horses in that patch while they're powerful young. I never made no feed to speak of last fall, sir, if I don't strengthen 'em up some I'm afraid they won't pull through the winter."

Joe gazed at the skinny, weak animals and felt sorry for them. He recalled the \$4 Jim had paid for the liquor last fall and thought if it had been invested in oats the horses and Jim would both have been a good deal better off.

"Why, I hardly know, Mr. Sullivan," he said, "but no money now, Joe, but I'll pay you next fall when my cotton comes in."

Joe remembered hearing Mr. Somerville say Sullivan was mighty bad pay, that he spent every cent he could get his hands on for liquor.

"That ain't business, Mr. Sullivan. I can't afford to wait that long. Tell you what I will do, though. I saw that old white faced sow of yours with a new litter of piglets about a month ago. I'll pasture your horses here until the first of the year for two of those little pigs."

"That's a go. I'll bring 'em over and turn the hoes in."

"All right, but you better call me when you come. I keep that gate locked."

CHAPTER IV.  
Joe Works Unceasingly.

SULLIVAN drove on his ungreased wagon wheels squeaking a dismal tune and the shay was on rattling and jangling in all its joints from being left exposed and unsheltered in all sorts of weather.

Joe went to the barn and got a sack. From the oak grove he managed to scrape up four sacksful of leaves. These he placed in a corner of the fence. Then he cut a pole about ten feet long and ran it cater cornered through the wires of the two lines of fence about three feet from the ground. Several shorter ones were placed be-

hind it to the angle formed by the fence corner post.

With his hatchet he cut pine brush from the bushes in an old field and piled them on the poles in the fence corner, the stems all pointing to the front, until a thick thatch formed a sloping roof which would shed rain. Then he piled more pine brush about the two sides formed by the converging wire fence and climbed over and surveyed his work.

He had made a cozy rain and wind proof shelter, and he spilled as he thought of how those uncared-for pigs of Sullivan's would enjoy it. Across the road was a spring branch and an abandoned washbasin from the house, with an approach of dirt banked to its edge, which, set down and placed in the field, formed a watering place for the pigs. Joe thoughtfully put several large stones in the tub so that the water was not over five inches deep. In case one of the pigs fell in it would not drown.

Next morning Jim Sullivan brought the pigs, lively, spotted little fellows, but poor as snakes. Joe turned them loose in the field, and they began eating the tender young rye as if they were famished. Jim's scrawny horses were also reaching for the green stuff. After about a week Sullivan was to fill the water tub each morning and evening Joe locked the gate and went up to the house.

"Mother, you and sister come with me. I've got something to show you," he said.

"All right. Come on, Annie," called Mrs. Weston. And they followed Joe down the road to his "farm," as they called the four acres.

"Oh-h, brother, look at those old horses in your farm! Let's run them out!" cried Annie.

"Hurry, son! They are just gobbling your rye!"

Joe laughed.

"That's what I put them in there for. I'm renting it for a pasture for awhile."

"But they are eating up the rye!" objected his mother.

"That won't hurt it—really benefits it. Those first shoots tipped off makes the roots throw out twice as many more, and makes each plant stronger and thicker."

"Oh, and there are two horrid little piglets in there too! I'll chase them out for you," said Annie.

"I thought you said that hogproof fencing would keep them out?" inquired Mrs. Weston.

"It will—and keep them in too. Those are my pigs, and I put them in there. I traded pasture with Jim Sullivan for them."

"They are mighty little—and poor," observed his mother.

"I feel sorry for them—just look at their poor little ribs!" said Annie.

"Which do you like best, sis?"

"That cute little one with the white face and the curly tail."

"All right; that's your pig, and his name is John L. Sullivan, and the other one is named Mike Sullivan."

"Oh, thank you for John L., Buddy! I just love my pig now!"

"The other one belongs to you, mother."

"Why, I'm obliged to you, son, but I hardly know what to do with it. We have no pen, you know."

"You and Annie just save the kitchen scraps for them. I'll feed them on this rye and oats awhile, and that will give them a good start. Then I'll build a pen nearer the house. If we keep them growing right each one ought to weigh 300 pounds by next fall."

"But, son, we couldn't use all that meat!"

"No; I know that, and I didn't mean for us to eat them. I wanted you to have something for your very own—and Annie. Those hogs will bring \$15 apiece or maybe more next fall. I want you and sister to take the money, every cent of it, and buy you some new dresses and things."

"You're well up into his mother's eyes. It had been a long time since she had bought a new dress. Her garments were really so shabby and rusty that



Joe Then Started to Hoe a Field of Potatoes.

who would not go to church, and some unkind little girls had made fun of Annie at Sunday school not long since, which sent her home, her little heart sorely hurting. She danced about in glee.

Continued next week.

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### BLACKLEG VACCINE.

Facts to Be Remembered in Administering This Treatment—Vaccine Distributed for Individual Use.

The use of blackleg vaccine as a preventive measure has resulted, according to a recent publication of the Department of Agriculture at Washington, D. C., on this subject, in reducing the loss from blackleg to less than one-half of 1 per cent. Where this disease is allowed to prevail the losses to cattle from it frequently exceed those from all other causes combined, and in certain badly infested regions have amounted to more than 10 per cent of the annual calf crop. In the 18 years in which the vaccine has been distributed, nearly 24,000,000 doses have been sent out, and it is estimated that at least 20,000,000 animals have been vaccinated.

Blackleg, or as it is sometimes called, black quarter, occurs practically everywhere in the United States, with the exception of the southern Atlantic and eastern Gulf States. The greatest losses, however, take place on the large ranges of the West and Southwest. Young animals between the ages of 6 and 18 months are the most susceptible to the disease, although some are attacked at an earlier age. After they are 2 years old, it is unusual for cattle in this country to contract the disease, and some authorities state that after 3 years of age the animal is immune.

A further characteristic of the disease, which increases to a considerable extent its economic importance, is the fact that it attacks chiefly high-grade stock. It is a noticeable fact that in this country blackleg has been on the increase ever since stock owners began to improve their cattle. It has also been noticed that the animals in the best condition in the herd are the most likely to be attacked.

The blackleg virus is not only widespread over the country, but it is extremely persistent. Once a pasture has become infected, there is no known means of making it absolutely safe, for the usual method of preventing infection from renewing itself by permitting pastures to be grazed is not practicable in the case of blackleg. Instances have been recorded in which outbreaks have occurred in pastures after a lapse of 11 years.

In view of this fact, the only practicable method of controlling the disease appears to be through the general use of the preventive vaccine. This measure serves a double purpose. It not only protects the inoculated animal, but prevents this animal from spreading the disease to others after it has become infected. "The danger of infection," says Circular No. 31 of the Bureau of Animal Industry, "must naturally diminish in proportion to the decrease of virulent material deposited upon the pastures. It is, therefore, to the interest of every stock owner who vaccinates his cattle to induce his neighbors to take the same precaution, especially in districts where it is difficult to find the animals that have died of the disease and dispose of them before they are attacked with vermin."

The vaccine which is now being distributed free by the Department of Agriculture is accompanied by directions which should enable the stockmen to administer it without difficulty. Where veterinarians are available it may be advisable for the farmers to engage one to prepare and inject the vaccine, but this is not regarded as essential. There are, however, a number of important points on which there appears to be some misunderstanding. Attention is, therefore, called in the circular to the following:

1. Owing to the fact that a number of cattle owners have attempted to modify or have otherwise deviated from the printed directions, losses have occurred which might have been easily avoided. It is, therefore, urgently recommended that directions be followed implicitly, and especially that castrating, spaying, and branding be not done at the time of vaccination.

2. Vaccine which for any reason is not used should be returned to this office (The Bureau of Animal Industry, Washington, D. C.) immediately.

3. All vaccine should be used within three months from the date on the back of each package. After this period has elapsed the vaccine may be used to advantage, in cases of emergencies, as a

first vaccine, but to insure immunity it is advisable to revaccinate with fresh vaccine in the course of two weeks.

4. The only vaccine distributed by this department is a single-powdered vaccine for the prevention of blackleg, and it may be injected at any season of the year.

5. Blackleg vaccine is distributed free of charge to stock owners of the United States.

6. Neither vaccine nor application blanks will be furnished to any person for distribution among others; each stock owner must apply in his own behalf.

7. The immunizing properties of the vaccine are not usually imparted until 10 or 12 days following the vaccination.

8. Deaths of animals within one or two days after vaccination should not be attributed to the vaccine, but to the fact that they were already infected with the disease before vaccination.

9. It is not advisable to vaccinate an animal after the symptoms of blackleg have developed, as the vaccine is a preventive and not a curative agent.

10. Vaccination is generally followed by insignificant symptoms. In some cases there is a slight rise in temperature, and a minute swelling may sometimes be noted at the point of injection.

11. Calves vaccinated before they are 6 months old lose the artificial immunity produced, and should be revaccinated before the beginning of the next blackleg season.

12. Animals which have been vaccinated may be revaccinated after an interval of two weeks without any unfavorable results.

13. It is not advisable to vaccinate pregnant heifers within one month of the time for them to calve.

14. Immunity is not transmitted by the immunized parent to the offspring.

15. Do not vaccinate cattle while they are overheated.

16. Animals should be vaccinated on the side of the neck just in front of the shoulder and always on the same side.

17. The only satisfactory method of administering the vaccine distributed by the department is by the use of a hypodermic syringe. The method of soaking a cord in the vaccine solution and inserting a portion of the cord under the skin can not be recommended.

18. Anthrax is an entirely different disease from blackleg, and therefore blackleg vaccine does not act as a preventive against anthrax. Anthrax vaccine is not distributed by the department.

The symptoms of blackleg are easily recognized. The disease usually enters the body of the animal through some minute puncture caused by a thorn, a spine, grass burr, or similar objects. The infection is followed by the development of a tumor or swelling under the skin. This is frequently seen on the thigh or shoulder, the swollen tissues becoming badly discolored—a fact which is responsible for the popular names of blackleg or black quarter. These tumors increase rapidly in size and may cover a large portion of the body. They are cool to the touch and covered with dry parchmentlike skin. When struck, the gas that has accumulated in them causes a clear, resonant sound.

As the swelling increases, fever and loss of appetite occur and the animal ceases to ruminate. It moves around with difficulty, lies down frequently, and when water is near at hand drinks at short intervals, but only a little at a time. With very few exceptions, the disease is fatal, death generally occurring from 12 to 36 hours after the first symptoms. Occasionally, however, animals have been known to recover.

The possibility of recovery has led to attempts at treatment which, however, are not to be recommended. These usually consist in profuse bleeding and violent exercise, the stricken animal being dragged around by a rope attached to a saddle horse for a number of miles. Even if the victim survives such drastic remedies, the treatment results in the spreading of a trail of infected blood over a considerable area and will probably be responsible ultimately for the spread of the infection to other animals. It is, moreover, most uncertain whether any appreciable number of cases are saved in this way. It is both wiser and more humane to kill the infected animal as soon as the disease has been positively diagnosed and to destroy the carcass at once.

Wherever possible, it is better to burn than to bury the dead cattle. It has been demonstrated that within the ground the spores of the blackleg virus retain their disease-producing properties for years. No matter how deeply they are buried it is always possible that they may be brought to the surface by a number of agencies, among others, earthworms. Heat, on the other hand, quickly destroys the virus. The fresh virus is also more easily destroyed than the dry and, therefore, immediate action is desirable.

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## UNITED STATES PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE.

Summary of the Annual Report of the Surgeon General of the United States Public Health Service.

The annual report of the Surgeon General of the United States Public Health Service records the largest amount of work performed in the history of that organization. Since the passage of the law of 1912 the public health functions of the Service have materially broadened, thereby increasing greatly its usefulness to the American people. Throughout the report the economic importance of disease prevention is made apparent to the reader.

Perhaps the most important achievement of the year was the discovery that pellagra is a deprivation disease, resulting from a faulty diet, containing an excess of carbohydrates. While the final experiments which led to this discovery have only recently been completed, the conclusion itself is the culmination of investigations extending over a period of seven years. The work has consisted of epidemiological field studies, actual feeding experiments conducted at numerous places in Georgia and Mississippi, and experimental research at Spartanburg, South Carolina, and other places.

A new national quarantining station was opened at Galveston, Texas, and the control of the Boston station was transferred to the Public Health Service. A great reduction in immigration has been observed during the year, with a corresponding increase in the number of aliens certified. At the Port of New York, the percentage has risen from 2.29, previous to the development of the European conflict, to 5.37 since that time; this increase largely being due to the fact that with the decreased immigration more time can be devoted to the examination. The number of cases treated at Marine Hospitals and relief stations exceeded 65,000, 15,000 of which were hospital patients, a considerable increase over previous years.

The Coast Guard Cutter, "Androscongin," was fitted out as a hospital ship and now affords relief to deep sea fishermen on the Banks of Newfoundland.

On the occurrence of plague at New Orleans, the first outbreak upon the Gulf seaboard, the State and local health authorities requested the Public Health Service to take charge of the situation. Extensive rat-proofing and other anti-plague measures were undertaken, resulting in the eradication of the disease from among human beings, and the practical extermination of the rodent infection.

Great reduction in the incidence of malaria was obtained in localities where surveys were conducted. Drainage projects, rice culture studies and the conditions surrounding the impounding of water for power purposes were investigated in order to eradicate as far as possible the disease in these areas. Scientific investigations of malarial infection showed that in the latitude of this country the most important agent in carrying the infection through the winter season is man, and not the infected, hibernating, Anopheles mosquitoes as was previously supposed. From the standpoint of prevention this is a discovery of considerable value.

Studies of occupational diseases and industrial hygiene were instituted at several places during the year. A survey of the industries of Cincinnati was made to determine the cause of the prevalence of tuberculosis among industrial workers. The investigations relating to the migration of persons suffering from tuberculosis were completed.

Upon the request of the health authorities of five states, the organization and operations of the respective boards of health were studied and recommendations advanced for improvement in the powers and duties of these bodies. The health organizations of several cities were likewise investigated.

Investigations of the pollution of streams and the examination of shellfish were also conducted.

Trachoma was combated in the Appalachian Mountains, where it is most prevalent, over 12,000 cases being treated. Surveys in certain states during the year showed that the disease is not an uncommon infection.

Rural sanitation work was conducted in six different states and everywhere resulted in the reduction of typhoid and other communicable diseases.

Public health laboratories for the prevention of the interstate spread of diseases were established at Chicago, Seattle, and numerous other railway centers.

Additional duties have been imposed upon the Service by extension of relief benefits to the newly organized Coast Guard and the physical examination of seamen applying for the rating of "able seaman." For this reason, and because of the greatly increased health functions of the Service, an increase in the commissioned personnel is recommended. An additional building for the Hygiene Laboratory and the establishment of a National Leprosarium for the proper segregation and care of cases of leprosy are also recommended.

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#### AUTOMOBILE REGISTRATION.

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Other provisions of the law which are of no small importance should be carefully observed. Certificates of registration and license should be carried in the car at all times. Both plates should be attached, one on the front and one on the rear of the car. Any person not complying with these requirements of the law is subject to a heavy penalty. If questioned and not able to show his license and certificate of registration, he may be brought before the courts for violation of the Motor Vehicle Laws and fined accordingly. It is an easy matter to comply with the law in these respects, and every person should desire to do so. If an officer or inspector asks to see your registration certificate, you should not take it as an insult, but should show it to him cheerfully, and thus aid in the practical observance of our laws.

A large number of the police officers and municipal officers of the State have expressed a willingness to cooperate with the Department of State in enforcing the registration laws. It will be unsafe for any person to run a car on other than a 1916 registration after January first. An occasional inspector is likely to appear to aid the officers in their work of enforcement. He will be furnished with all information relative to those who have registered cars, and there will be little chance of evading the law. Register your car early in the year so that when you wish to operate you may do so legally, and perhaps save yourself from the embarrassment of being brought before the courts.

#### ANOTHER GOVERNMENT PURCHASE.

The national forest reservation commission last Wednesday decided upon the purchase of a very important tract of land in the White Mountains under the Weeks forestry act.

Although the tract contains only 559 acres, and is smaller than some that have been previously acquired in the White Mountains and elsewhere, it is considered to be highly important on account of its location and the valuable timber which it contains.

It is situated upon the slopes of the Presidential range and includes the summits of Mount Webster, Mount Jackson and Mount Clinton. Its acquisition will give the government practically complete control of all the peaks of the Presidential range, Mount Washington, Mount Jefferson and other northern peaks having already passed into the hands of the United States.

The tract is one which is much frequented by tourists to the White Mountains and is traversed by a number of paths which have been much used. It is also a plain view of the state highway through the famous Crawford notch. One of the finest bodies of virgin spruce timber remaining in the White Mountains is situated upon the tract, although upon a portion of the land the timber was cut some 25 years ago.

Several times during the past two years the tract has been brought to the attention of the commission, but it was not until recently that the owners agreed to accept a price which the commission considered reasonable. The purchase brings the government's holdings in the White Mountains to more than 270,000 acres.

#### OILHEAD.

James Bryant and son, Wilbur, were in Berlin, N. H., recently.

A. H. Bryant is attending State College in Portland this week.

Miss E. J. Buckley spent the week end with her parents in Berlin, N. H.

Jack McBride was in Gorham, N. H., last Monday.

#### ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

Mr. R. D. Long was in Portland on business, Thursday.

Mrs. Anna French returned from Meade Falls, Wednesday.

Mr. Philip Smith is working as baggage master at the station.

Mr. Charles Crosby of Norway is working for Mr. J. P. Skillings.

John D. Martin of Rumford was a business visitor in town last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Brinck from East Bethel were in town, Friday.

Mr. J. S. Burbank returned Friday from a week's hunting trip at Upton.

Miss Mary Cummings spent the week end with her brother at West Bethel.

Mrs. B. E. Packard of Camden is visiting her mother, Mrs. Davis Lovejoy.

Miss Frances F. Carter of Portland is visiting her mother, Mrs. Ella Carter.

Miss Marion Swift from Locke's Mills visited Miss Frye a few days the past week.

Mr. Frank Bartlett went to South Paris, Tuesday, to visit her sister, Mrs. Ralph Perkins.

Mr. Fred Ashby of Presque Isle is spending a few days with his sister, Mrs. R. H. Tibbette.

Miss Ruby Smith of Gorham, N. H., is spending the Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Smith.

Misses Ava and Marion Andrews of Norway returned home, Sunday, after spending a few days with relatives in town.

Miss Ethel Hammond of Portland is spending the Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Skillings.

Mr. Albert Clark of Wentworth Institute is spending the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Clark.

The Men's Club held their regular meeting at Bethel Inn this Wednesday evening. An interesting program is anticipated.

Mr. Carroll Valentine of Dartmouth College is spending the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Valentine.

Miss Blanche Richardson of Livermore Falls is spending the Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Richardson.

The Alumni Social Club will meet with Mrs. Gehring on Thursday evening. It is hoped that a large number will be present in order to complete the plans for the coming week.

Mrs. E. C. Park and daughter, Muriel, left Friday for a few weeks' visit with friends and relatives in New York, Connecticut and Massachusetts.

Mr. Albert W. Buck of Orland, who has been with the Red Cross in Serbia for the past six months, is visiting his former classmate, Mr. Paul C. Thurston. Mr. Buck has kindly consented to speak to the Men's Club this Wednesday evening.

Howe has a nice line of Educator's Trainers in 10s, 20s and 25s line. Adv.

FEEDING POULTRY BREEDING STOCK.

By G. E. Conkey.

Improper feeding of breeding birds is often responsible for their inability to produce a sufficient number of hatchlings or enough fertile eggs possessing the vitality necessary for the production of strong, vigorous chicks.

Such folk and worry could to a great extent be very easily overcome, for it is not at all difficult to feed breeding birds properly. What they need is to be fed first for condition—to be fed for a gain in strength and vitality, so that when hatching eggs are needed they will be able to produce a maximum number of large, well-sized, fertile eggs of strong vitality. To secure these results the method of feeding is perhaps more important than the food. For the latter, good laying rations cannot be improved upon.

The feeding for condition should begin with the selection of the breeding birds, which should take place about the middle of December. During the latter part of December and the early part of January no attempt should be made to get eggs. The birds should be fed enough to keep their strength and vigor on the increase but not enough to supply them with very much of a surplus of nutriment.

Good condition will come to breeding birds more quickly if their meals

#### COLLECTOR'S ADVERTISEMENT OF SALE OF LANDS OF RESIDENT OWNERS.

##### STATE OF MAINE.

Unpaid taxes on lands situated in the Town of Bethel, in the County of Oxford, for the year 1915.

The following list of taxes on real estate of resident owners in the Town of Bethel aforesaid, for the year 1915, committed to me for collection for said Town on the 1st day of August 1915, remain unpaid; and notice is hereby given that if said taxes with interest and charges are not previously paid, so much of the real estate taxed as is sufficient to pay the amount due therefor, including interest and charges, will be sold without further notice at public auction at Odeon Hall in said Town, on the first Monday in February, 1916, at nine o'clock A. M.

Name of Owner	Description of Property	Amt. tax	Charges
Briggs, Edwin R.	Homestead Farm,	\$5.95	\$1.00
Brooks, Geo. E.	Homestead Farm,	1.23	1.00
Burke, James	Homestead Farm,	13.80	1.00
Corbett, James P.	Homestead Farm,	10.20	1.00
Cushman, A. G.	Homestead Farm,	17.00	1.00
Day, Charles P.	Homestead Farm,	11.90	1.00
Emery, Warren A.	Homestead Farm,	102.00	1.00
	Valentine and Chapman Intervalo,	28.90	1.00
Hall, Anna B.	Homestead,	17.00	1.00
Jones, O. M.	Homestead at East Bethel,	6.80	1.00
Merrill, A. R.	Homestead Farm,	25.50	1.00
	The Cummings Intervalo,	20.40	1.00
Morgan, A. L.	Homestead on Clark St.,	8.50	1.00
	The Gerry Morgan Stand,	4.68	1.00
Stone, Viola	Homestead Farm,	3.40	1.00
Vashaw, Thomas	Field and Barn of G. D. Morrill,	57.80	1.00
	Field of G. D. Morrill,	8.50	1.00
Vashaw, Mrs. Sallie	Homestead at West Bethel,	8.50	1.00

N. F. BROWN,

Treasurer and Collector of Taxes of the Town of Bethel.

#### COLLECTOR'S ADVERTISEMENT OF SALE OF LANDS OF NON-RESIDENT OWNERS.

##### STATE OF MAINE.

Unpaid taxes on lands situated in the Town of Bethel, in the County of Oxford, for the year 1915.

The following list of taxes on real estate of non-resident owners in the Town of Bethel aforesaid, for the year 1915, committed to me for collection for said Town on the 1st day of August 1915, remain unpaid; and notice is hereby given that if said taxes with interest and charges are not previously paid, so much of the real estate taxed as is sufficient to pay the amount due therefor, including interest and charges, will be sold without further notice at public auction at Odeon Hall in said Town, on the first Monday in February, 1916, at nine o'clock A. M.

Name of Owner	Description of Property	Amt. tax	Charges
Brown, John	Part of D. A. Coffin Farm,	\$ .85	2.00
	E. Andrews Land,	2.55	2.00
Buck, Charles	The Corson Homestead,	2.55	2.00
Estes, John H.	Part of R. Estes Intervalo,	6.80	2.00
Stahl, A. M.	The W. W. Mason land near Newry Line,		
	Part of Lots 29-30, Range D,	4.25	2.00
Smith, Josiah W.	Homestead,	8.50	2.00

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#### COLLECTOR'S ADVERTISEMENT OF SALE OF LANDS OF NON-RESIDENT OWNERS.

##### STATE OF MAINE.

Unpaid taxes on lands situated in the Town of Albany, in the County of Oxford, for the year 1915.

The following list of taxes on real estate of non-resident owners in the Town of Albany aforesaid, for the year 1915, committed to me for collection for said Town on the 1st day of August 1915, remain unpaid; and notice is hereby given that if said taxes with interest and charges are not previously paid, so much of the real estate taxed as is sufficient to pay the amount due therefor, including interest and charges, will be sold without further notice at public auction at the Town House, in said Town, on the first Monday in February, 1916, at nine o'clock A. M.

Name of Owner	Description of Property	Amt. tax	Charges
Bartlett, E. B.	40 acres in Lot 10, Range 11,	\$3.00	\$2.00
Kimball, J. P.	50 acres in Lot 3, Range 5,	18.00	2.00
	80 acres in Lot 3, Range 4,	23.40	2.00
	10 acres in Lot 2, Range 3,	.00	2.00

December 21, 1915.

GEORGE CUMMINGS,

Collector of Taxes of the Town of Albany.

are varied so as to include a number of nourishing foods, such as grain ration, mash and green stuff.

An excellent grain ration can be made for them by mixing equal parts of cracked corn, oats and wheat. This should be fed in a deep litter, so that the birds will have to scratch it out grain by grain and thereby get the exercise that is so necessary to their good health.

Any breeding flock will relish and be benefited by a mash made by the roughly mixing:

50 lbs. Cornmeal,  
50 lbs. Wheat Middlings,  
50 lbs. Wheat Bran,  
10 lbs. Alfalfa Meal,  
10 lbs. Oil Meal,  
50 lbs. Beef Scraps,  
1 lb. Salt.

Such a mash should be fed dry and placed before the birds for several hours through the middle of the day.

One of the most important factors in any mash for breeding birds is beef scraps. They contain a high percentage of protein which not only helps to put the birds in good condition but enables them to impart strong vitality to the hatching eggs.

Green material for breeding birds may consist of the stuff that can be obtained or prepared most easily, such as sprouted oats, sliced cabbage, beets, mangelwurz or small potatoes.

This method of feeding will put breeding birds in splendid condition by the time eggs are desired for hatching and they can then be given a bountiful supply of each of the differ-

ent kinds of food, so as to furnish them with the large surplus of nutriment necessary for the production of a sufficient number of hatchlings. Their grain ration and supply of green food should be increased to as large a quantity as they will clean up and the mash can be left before them all the time.

If a liberal supply of either buttermilk or skim milk can also be fed regularly, it will prove very helpful. Each of these is rich in protein and will therefore make it possible to decrease the amount of beef scraps in the mash about one-half.

In addition to the regular foods, plenty of grit, shell and charcoal should be supplied, as each of these is of some benefit to the breeding hen and will make it easier for her to produce a goodly supply of desirable eggs.

The ground oyster shell is especially important, as it is absolutely necessary to the production of hard shelled eggs. Hard shelled hatching eggs are much more to be desired than thin or medium-thick shelled ones, as they are not so likely to get cracked or broken during incubation; do not get chilled as easily; and their contents are kept from evaporating too rapidly.

There is no element of "luck" in the feeding of breeding birds. Results should be a maximum number of healthy, vigorous chicks—are sure to come to any poultry owner who realizes that breeding birds must be got into tip-top condition before they can produce the right kind of hatching eggs and then uses good judgment in feeding to obtain such condition.

#### STORE AT NEWRY CORNER BURNED.

Last Saturday night the building at Newry Corner which is owned by the Grange and used as a store, tenement and hall was burned to the ground.

It is not known exactly where or how the fire caught but it is thought from a defective chimney.

About midnight Mr. C. H. Eaton, who occupies the store and tenement, was awakened by a noise and on looking out of the window saw the flames coming out from under the roof. He and Mrs. Eaton had barely time to gather up a few clothes and make their escape. Nothing was saved from the store, but Mr. Eaton managed to get out his account books.

Mr. Eaton's loss is heavy as he had a large stock of goods and an insurance of only \$2,500 on his stock and \$300 on his household furniture.

The Grange lost all their paraphernalia but there was an insurance of \$1,000 on the building and it is thought that they will rebuild.

MAINE AUTO LICENSE PLATES.

New Design of Opposite Colors With Embossed Figures.

The automobile number plate which will be issued within a few days will possess a new feature. This year it will be embossed, or in other words, the letters and figures will be raised, and thus it will be impossible for automobilists to paint over their old plates, put new numbers upon them, and thus evade the law. This year the colors will be exactly the opposite of those of 1915. This means that the letters and figures will be white, while the background of the plate will be blue. It is the intention at the present time to reverse the colors each year, maintaining the form and lettering of the present plate.

DOGS CARRY DISEASE.

Neglected Animals, Permitted to Run at Large, May Become Carriers of Infection to Farm Animals.

The dog in the country is a useful and pleasant adjunct to the farm if he is properly controlled and cared for, but when neglected may readily become a carrier of disease to stock, in addition to gaining opportunity to kill sheep and destroy gardens and other property. Dog ordinances, as a general rule, have been intended chiefly to curb the dog's power of doing harm by attacking, biting, killing, or running sheep or stock. The part that he plays as a carrier of diseases to animals only recently has been recognized, according to zoologists of the Department of Agriculture at Washington, D. C., who believe that when this is better understood, rural ordinances and laws which lessen this danger will gain the support of the community.

Of the diseases carried to stock by dogs, the foot-and-mouth disease is probably of the greatest interest at this time. In this case the dog acts as a mechanical carrier of infection. The dog which runs across an infected farm easily may carry in the dirt on his feet the virus of this most contagious of animal diseases to other farms and thus spread the disease to the neighboring herds. In infected localities it is absolutely essential, therefore, to keep all dogs chained and never to allow them off the farm except on the leash.

There are, however, many other maladies in the spread of which the dog takes an active part. In Bulletin 200 of the department, "The Dog as a Carrier of Parasites and Disease," it is pointed out that rabies, typhoid, ringworm, favus, double-pored tapeworm, roundworm, and tongue worm are often conveyed to human beings in this way. It occasionally happens also that the dog helps fleas and ticks in transmitting bubonic plague or the deadly spotted fever.

Hydatid disease is caused by the presence in the liver, kidneys, brain, lungs, and other organs of a bladder worm of larval tapeworm. Bladder worms are often as large as an orange and may be larger. A dog which is allowed to feed on carrion or the raw viscera of slaughtered animals may eat all or part of a bladder worm containing numerous tapeworm heads. These tapeworm heads develop into small segmented tapeworms in the intestine of the dog. The tapeworms in turn develop eggs which are passed out in the

excrement of the dog. They are spread broadcast on grass and in drinking water where animals can very well eat them and thus become infected. The dog is particularly liable to this disease because of its rooting habits. The eggs may get into human food, and persons who allow dogs to lick their hands and face also run the risk of getting the eggs of the tapeworm in their system.

Prevention on the farm consists in so restraining the dog that he can not get at carrion or raw viscera. Viscera should be boiled before being fed to dogs and should never be thrown on the fields. If not cooked and fed, viscera and carcasses should be burned, buried with lime, or so disposed of as not to be accessible to dogs. Proper feeding of the dog is essential, and the owner who does not feed a dog properly has no right to keep one.

The parasite which causes gid in sheep somewhat resembles the hydatid worm. A dog allowed to eat the brain of a giddy sheep may swallow this parasite and later distribute the eggs of the resulting tapeworm over the pasture. Sheep while grazing swallow the eggs with the grass which they eat. In the case of sheep dogs it is important to administer vermifuges often enough to keep them free of these worms. In the case of sheep measles, the bladder worm in the meat, typical of this disease, is swallowed by the dog and again the tapeworm eggs are passed by the dog to grass or water, and there are eaten by sheep.

Of the external parasites which dogs may carry to animals, fleas and the various kinds of ticks are both troublesome and dangerous. The remedy is clear. The owner must keep his dog clean, not merely for the comfort and happiness of the dog, but to prevent it from becoming a carrier of disagreeable and dangerous vermin.

These reasonable measures, important to the stock on the farm, have a direct connection with the health of the family. Where ringworm or other skin diseases break out among the children, or the worm parasites develop, it is well to determine whether a dirty or uncared for dog may not be carrying infection on his skin or hair, or be conveying disease from carrion directly to the food and persons of his friends. Even if no one is infected with disease, the folly of allowing a dog to remain dirty and have the freedom of a home where personal cleanliness and hygiene are respected is apparent.

## Christmas Specials

### Japanese China

Cups and Saucers

Nut Bowls

Hair Receivers

BonBon Dishes

Mat Pin Holders

Mustard Dishes

Plates

15c each

Decorative  
Bells, Festooning,  
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Events of Interest From  
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By J. E. Jones.

#### THE PANAMA CANAL

There seems to be a little in Congressional circles over the Panama Canal, but heads are holding down it would make a disturbance. Ditch is exactly like a river, which has its small slides in it, just as Gulebra, or Gail their big slides because the ments are 300 feet high.

The present work at Panama is a process of widening and removing a portion of the on the hillside, that has a greatest amount of difficulty, nothing particularly new in omments except that the hills themselves more plentifully tofore during the recent rain. This was not unexpected of the engineers, and people been to Panama firmly be when the waterway is open within a short time, that ties will be permanently over THE MINISTER FROM BELGIUM.

Mr. Brand Whitlock had had phirations which were some when he was drawn into the activities of his home city and became Mayor. He had old Mayor and attracted the of President Wilson for the saguety he displayed. Mr. was offered the Belgium post seized it with avidity because looked upon as a desert in a with no work to do. Whitlock Belgium to write books and literary monument for himself a twinkling he found himself center of the European war, ner in which he has acquired his task has made his name work respected throughout t Whitlock is home for a short proposes to go back to Belgi the first of the year.

BANKING OPPORTUNITY SOUTH AMERICA.

The Bureau of Foreign and Commerce says that there are opportunities for banking in South America, but since enterprising young men went down to Hopoville, glia, and charged one per cashing Dupont checks, thereby a clear rake-off of several thousand a week by turning over the to be no call to leave this country of business. However, can bankers have been finding American investments profitable their enterprise has helped to trade with and strengthen the of the United States with the American republics.

DOGS CARRY DISEASE.

A bulletin issued by the States Department of Agriculture monishing dog owners to be this pleasant adjunct to farm much as it has been determined these animals are notorious carriers of disease. A whole list of ailments are enumerated in the bulletin, of the dangers may be avoided the dog is kept clean. The remarks that vermin and infection about the same as between human beings. The Department agrees with David Harum in the of "a few fleas are good for a cause they keep him from becoming a dog." The Federal ment insists that parasites, fleas, ticks are both troublesome and as.

HOTELS FOR POOR PEOPLE.

Secretary Lane of the Department Interior, has provided several hotels for the Yosemite, thus that poor people will be well treated the National Park. The government certainly scored a real victory in founding a place where moderate means can go without of being robbed by hotel keepers.

CONGRESSIONAL SOCIETY.

Now Congressmen's wives w prize tag still dangling on "one night hard row to hoe in Washington. They've got to be self-sufficient never get started at all self important seasoned hands grimly and watch the pathetic of the freshmen and the ten without lifting a finger. They had to blaze their own trail rather than to watch the equine the uninitiated.

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